

## THE WOMAN'S CLUB GIVES A RECEPTION

The Woman's Club of Sikeston had open house at the Hotel Marshall Tuesday evening and had invited their husbands, the Lions and their wives, members of the Chamber of Commerce and wives, and the teachers in the schools to be their guests. One hundred and sixty responses were received and lunch prepared for that many, but plates were only served to 110 who were present.

The president of the Club, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, announced the numbers and introduced the speaker of the evening, Prof. Vaughn of the Cape Girardeau Teachers College. "America" and "My Old Kentucky Home" were sung by those who could make any sort of noise, after which Miss Helen Welsh gave a delightful violin solo accompanied by Mrs. H. J. Welsh on the piano. Then came Mrs. Horatia Bailey, she of the beautiful voice, who so pleased her audience that she gave an encore.

The speaker of the evening had for his subject "Law Enforcement" or "Democratic America" which gave food for thought to those present. He warned his hearers to beware of the different groups who were endeavoring to control the country, such as capital, labor unions, the Ku Klux Klan and like groups. He did not attempt to criticize any group, but sought to point out what might happen to the country if any one group was in control. He believed the salvation of any Democracy was in the obedience of the laws of the land, and not the laws taken in hand by any group for a selfish interest. He said each of these groups believed they were right and if they were in control and their ideas put in effect our Democratic Government might be in peril.

Everyone present gave him marked attention and the seeds of his remarks planted in the minds of the teachers present may sprout into golden truth to be implanted in the minds of the children in their care.

The refreshments consisting of oyster patties, bread and butter sandwiches, olives, orange ice, mints and coffee, Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., was hostess and ably assisted by a number of willing workers. It was a most enjoyable occasion.

## FOUR LAND DEALS MADE IN ONE DAY

Salemen for the Himmelberger-Harrison Land & Investment Company, who have joined forces with the A. J. Matthews & Co., Inc., turned in four sales contracts to the Cape Girardeau office of the company, Friday, December 29th, making the officers feel like old hands to have business coming in that way again. The sales were all made to Southeast Missouri people, many of whom are taking advantage of the terms offered to acquire homes for themselves. The company is now selling improved land at reasonable prices in tracts of 20 acres and up, 20% cash and the balance like rent, and put-over land 10% cash, balance 10 years after date with no interest the first two years if certain improvements are made. Every man owes it to himself, his family, and his future to acquire a home of his own. He will be happier and more contented on 20 or 40 acres of his own than on a half section of the other fellows. Those who are interested should write the Himmelberger-Harrison Land & Investment Company at once as this opportunity will not last forever.—Adv.

On another page of The Standard will be found an article from the typewriter of Judge Frank Kelly criticizing the editor of The Standard and other newspaper editors for printing paragraphs and articles on the Eighteenth Amendment. Speaking for ourselves we have never printed anything of the sort that we did not believe to be so, or looked that way to us. Most people obey the laws of the land because they try to be and are law abiding citizens, others thru fear of the law, and some just as leave be in jail as out. We hesitate to say anything as to reasons for the disrespect of the Eighteenth Amendment but will say that the nominal fines and lenient manner in which some judges have handled these cases have invited bootlegging by a low-down class of people as the easiest way to make a living.

## DR. MAYFIELD TO ERECT BUILDING

Plans to erect a new and commodious brick building on the Mayfield lot south of the Iron Mountain will probably be approved in the next few days and work begin immediately thereafter.

The building will be erected for and leased to the Highway Engineers of this Road District and the lease will be for a term of 5 or 10 years. The plans call for 5 rooms on the ground floor in the front half of the building with a garage in rear part of building 40x60 feet sufficient to house cars and trucks used on the road work. The building to be steam heated, lighted, with toilets, bath and water.

This site was selected as being nearest to the north and south, and east and west highway crossings and most suitable for the purpose required. After the lease to the Highway Engineers expires the building will probably be leased to the Highway Maintenance Department who will be required to have force and equipment handy for both roads.

The Sikeston Tile & Construction Co. have already prepared the plans and specifications and submitted them to Jefferson City.

## "THE DICTATOR" IS REAL DRAMA

The internal disturbances of certain romantic and ebullient South American republics, which have for years furnished the American press and humorous writers with material for exciting dispatches or clever, humorous discussions, were placed in the hall of fame by the plays of the late Richard Harding Davis, who was virtually their literary spokesman.

"The Dictator", which comes to the Malone Theatre tonight, (Friday), as a Paramount offering with Wallace Reid in the star role, is one of this type by this author. It is the play which Willis Collier made famous on the stage and one in which Mr. Davis paints an exciting picture of volcanic life in the Latin-American continent.

Walter Woods, an experienced dramatist, translated the play to screen terms, which meant modifying it somewhat, bringing certain incidents down to date and generally applying the modern brush to the canvas, which is, however, still fresh and alluring.

Lila Lee, leading woman, has the role of Juanita, dainty daughter of Dr. Rivas, a self-styled "liberator", played by Theodore Kosloff. Mr. Reid, as Brooke Travers, falls in love with her and then trouble begins. From Los Angeles the scene shifts to a tiny Latin-American republic where a bitter war between rebels and regulars is waged. James Cruise, a veteran Paramount director, handled the megaphone.

Rev. Clarence Burton, pastor of the Methodist Church at Dexter, was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday.

Miss Beas Conrad has returned to St. Louis where she is employed as a bookkeeper, after spending the holidays in Sikeston with her mother.

The Co-Workers will meet at the home of J. W. Black Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. Black and Mrs. H. J. Welsh as hostesses. All members are requested to be present.

Col. R. L. Harriman of Bunceon, Cooper County, was in Sikeston Tuesday on his way to Clarkton to cry the Dunn Poland China sale held there Wednesday. While here he paid The Standard a pleasant visit.

The Standard regrets exceedingly to hear that Rev. J. B. Lockhart, formerly pastor of the Christian Church in Sikeston, is seriously ill at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, with paralysis, being unable to speak.

The editor of The Standard was shown through the local telephone office Saturday morning by the local manager, L. D. Randol. The new switchboard and electrical outfit recently installed by the Western Electric Co. is one of the most complete to be found anywhere. A small device about the size of a dinner plate was a remarkable thing in that with it a break in the line could be detected within a few inches. At this time 21 people are on the payroll and so far as we know there has been no complaints on the service rendered for many months. Here's hoping that every one of the girls on the keyboard may draw a good husband during the coming year who has a good meal ticket.



## The Lions Club of Sikeston

—PRESENTS—

### An All-Star Aggregation of Vaudeville Headliners

## Malone Theatre, Wednesday, Jan. 10

8:00 P. M.

10 Big Numbers Every One a Feature 10 Big Numbers

PHIL BAXTER (nuffed)  
in "Some of His Own"

That Baffling Mystery  
Sawing a Woman in Half

STUBBS BROTHERS  
All Five of "Em"  
Fifteen Minutes of Harmony

H. CLAY STUBBS & DAZZLING  
CHORUS  
Songs of Today

A. RAY SMITH  
Himself  
ventriloquism up-to-now

CHARLES LEE BLANTON  
Aesthetic Dances

JUBE BARRETT & COMPANY  
in "A Damn Lie"

WILLIAM H. SIKES  
That Sweet Southern Minstrel

JULIAN REDTINGE  
Impersonator Supreme

LIVING PICTURES  
Reproduction in life of Masterpieces  
of Art.

**Seats On Sale Saturday at Dudley's Place**  
Make Reservations Early, 75c-50c, and War Tax. Don't Miss This

Walker Taylor, who was recently severely cut by Ras Bowers, is able to be out again. Bowers is out on a \$500 bond.

Mrs. G. B. Greer and Mrs. Frank Van Horne will entertain the Sikeston D. A. R. Chapter at the home of Mrs. Van Horne Saturday afternoon, January 6.

G. W. Howell of Ward, Ark., remembered The Standard with a Christmas gift. It was a check paying his subscription to January 1, 1925. He reports both he and Mrs. Howell as being well and wishing to be remembered to friends and acquaintances.

A nice Christmas dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Kiser. Those present at the dinner were: Annie Atherton and family, W. B. Atherton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Satterfield and baby, of Cairo; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witt, M. D. Atherton and wife of Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Davis and children, Miss Thelma Atherton and B. L. Kiser.

A. W. Graham, former State Highway Engineer, is being favorably mentioned as a member of the New Water Commission to be named by Mayor Frank Cromwell, of Kansas City. Mr. Graham is being urged for the place because of his experience in the engineer profession and is considered as one of the best men available for the place. Mr. Graham's many friends here are hopeful that he may be selected since he would be a very efficient man for the place.—Missouri State Journal.

Miss Dorothy Alexander came over from Charleston Tuesday morning for a short visit with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Matthews.

X. Schneider has opened a hamburger stand on Front Street and N. I. Kirby has put up a larger eating place next door to Ed Wilson's restaurant.

Ray Hughes of Dongola, Ill. visited with his uncle, W. R. Hughes, in this city the latter part of the week. Mr. Hughes is a school teacher and one of the brightest young men we have met in many a day.

One of the employees of the construction company who is putting in the bridges on the east and west road, put all his tools in a chest at Brown's a few days ago, locked the heavy Yale lock and left the chest to be hauled to another place. Next morning the chest containing the tools and weighing about 300 pounds had been stolen. If the stealer will apply at the Commercial Hotel and prove that he is the right party, both keys to the lock will be turned over to him.

## FOR SALE

Seventeen (17) shares Semo Development Oil Stock. A barnain; desire to close a bankrupt estate. Inquire of

H. C. BLANTON  
SIKESTON, MO.

Judge Jas. A. Finch of New Madrid and Jefferson City was in Sikeston Tuesday morning.

An anonymous note to the editor asks why we jump on the poor bootlegger when white mule parties are held in some of the best homes in Sikeston. Silence on the part of the editor.

Hodge Decker, Jr., 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hodge Decker, has not been very robust for some months threatened with appendicitis. After this school term is over his parents expect to have an operation performed and when sufficiently recovered, he will be taken to the hills of Kentucky where he will live on 'possum meat, corn bread and branch water, in the hopes he will gain strength enough to whip his teacher if she needs it.

Two ladies of Sikeston were out shopping just before Christmas when one of them had 75 cents taken from her purse while the other lost her watch. When the loss was discovered they returned to the only place of business that they had entered and told of their troubles. A lad in his early teens who has been guilty of pilfering before and who was present when the ladies were in the business place, was closely questioned, but denied all knowledge of the theft. The police chief was called in and then the lad weakened. The watch was found hid in the leg of his trousers and the 75c in his pocket. His splendid family keeps his name out of print this time. A cigarette smoking loafing lad is generally headed the wrong direction.

## BOY LOSES HAND IN CORN CRUSHER

One of the most distressing accidents that has occurred in the community for years was that which befell the 6-year-old son of Chas. Heiserer, living near Brown Spur, Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

In some manner while playing around a corn crusher in operation his left hand was caught in the machinery and in a flash the member was torn completely off. He was hurried to Sikeston for medical attention and Mrs. Mayfield, Rodde and Malcolm amputated the arm above the break.

The lad stood the ordeal like a hero and if no complications set up, will soon be about.

## \$375,000 IS PAID FOR BROWN LAND

Five thousand acres of land in Mississippi county, a part of the bankrupt estate of E. Lindsay Brown, big landowner there, has been sold for prices ranging from \$70 to \$80 per acre, according to reports filed with Referee H. E. Alexander here. Total price paid for the land is nearly \$375,000.

Most of the land was sold to farmers of Mississippi county, who will add the parcels to their holdings. Only a small part of the entire acreage was sold to outside investors. It was reported that much of the land will be taken back by Brown and operated by him, following his discharge from bankruptcy.

Brown's case will be closed out of the referee's court at the next term of Federal court in April. Involuntary proceedings were filed against Brown in December, 1921. He was adjudicated a bankrupt in February, after Federal Judge Paris upheld the involuntary proceedings.—Cape Missourian.

H. C. Blanton, attorney, attended a legal business in Dexter Tuesday.

The protests of a large element of decent movie patrons in the United States against the return of Brute Ambuckle on the screen means the loss of money to any house that uses his films.

The editor was among the many who welcomed the new county officers at Benton Monday and wished the out going officers health and success. The retiring officers have been competent and courteous while in office and are leaving with the good will of all.

The Chase Hotel at St. Louis was raided by Nations' Dry Squad Sunday night and 2,600 guests insulted and embarrassed. One-half pint of gin was found on one man, according to newspaper reports. This sort of performance is what makes law breakers of good people, or we think so.

Bill Keller was in Saturday and set his paper ahead for another year. He is expecting to put out a fair acreage of cotton the coming season and has two negro families on his farm who have already broken most of their land. Bill gives due credit for his success on the farm to the splendid cooperation of his wife and level headed advice of his Dad.

H. J. Welsh reports the following deaths for November and December, 1922: Louis Pfefferkorn, Nov. 6; Dr. T. V. Miller, November 7; Rubie Judge, November 12; Mary Royal, November 12; R. C. Brown, November 13; Elizabeth Ways, November 22; Mildred Boswell, December 5; G. C. Vaughn, December 5; Rowena Hay Royce, December 7; Geraldine Darr, December 7; Joe McGinnis, December 12; Frank Kizer, December 16; Helen Master-son, December 16; Lonnie Martin, December 22; Opal Dowdy, December 23; Mildred Taylor, December 30; E. M. Ewing, Jr., December 30.

Steve Riddle, who is occupying a space in the bastille, is getting a much needed rest these days. He has many callers who seem to be solicitous of his welfare, but have done nothing to help him. We, as a law-abiding citizen, are solicitous about him, too, as well as his likes, and are anxious to help rid the community of them. We are anxious to see this sort of law violators repairing the roads of the county and giving some real service to the community in which they live. We believe a minimum of six months on the road and no fine would take much of the sport out of bootlegging. Sikeston, like other towns, has a number of able bodied men who have no visible means of support, but seem to be in a prosperous way.

## MOCABEE RECEIVES FEDERAL APPOINTMENT

James Mocabee of Sikeston has received, from the Federal Farm Loan Board, an appointment as Government Appraiser and has been assigned to the Kansas City Joint Land Bank. He will be stationed at Sikeston for the present but is liable to be sent to other states on short notice.

This appointment carries a very satisfactory salary and the work is very agreeable. The friends of Mr. Mocabee are glad that he received the appointment.

## 1500 MISSOURI VETERANS AFFECTED BY PENSION BILL

Washington, January 1.—Pensions of \$75 a month await about 1500 civil war veterans who served in the Missouri enrolled militia, if President Harding signs the Bursum bill.

The President was expected to sign the bill today, but if he did, the fact could not be learned tonight.

The bill, sponsored by Senator Bursum of New Mexico, contains a clause, inserted largely through the efforts of Senator Spencer of Missouri, giving the members of the enrolled militia pensionable status. This point has been fought for over thirty years by Missouri Congressmen and Senators.

Missouri has more men entitled to the pension than any other state. Kentucky has 300 to 400, Pennsylvania about 100 and Indiana and Ohio a few each.

Mrs. Emory Matthews spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Charleston.

The Paramount Picture Convention will hold their next meeting in Kansas City in May of the present year.

The Stark Bros. Nursery of Kansas, Mo., have issued a very handsome seed catalogue for the spring of 1923.

Ross Bros., Schade and Co. of Cape County will hold a sale of land China hogs at Jackson, January 5.

Visitors to the grounds will be able to see a strip of ground at the west end, containing several acres, will be planted to cotton by Charlie Clark, the custodian of the grounds, and will be an attraction to many of the visitors.

Miss Jack Albrite delightfully entertained with a six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. R. T. Wainman. Covers were laid for Misses Virginia Matthews, Dorothy Miller, Helen Welsh, Mary Blanton, Catherine Blanton, Marian Decker, Bonnie Keith, Irene Cox, Lillian Kendall and Jack Albrite.

Fred Sheldy informs us that sixty days ago he let W. I. Keene and J. R. Brown turn 183 head of hogs into his 63 acre corn field with the understanding that they were to pay him 6 cents per pound for which each hog gained. When 28 acres had been grazed the hogs were weighed and it was discovered his field had so fattened him \$15 per acre. The last 43 acres netted him \$23 per acre or a total of \$88 per acre.—Centralia Courier.

Rev. S. P. Brite and wife were completely surprised on New Year's evening, when many of their friends and members of the church walked in at the front door crowding the house and armed with bundles of various sizes and kinds, and their countenances beaming with good cheer and thought of Happy New Year. They took complete possession of the parsonage for the time being. The evening was spent in mutual good fellowship and interesting entertainment till the ladies served a light lunch, after which the people returned to their homes with pleasant memories and many good wishes for a successful year in all departments of Church activities.

The Elm Grove Farm will hold a dispersion sale of their herd of Poland Chinas at the McCord barn in Sikeston, Tuesday, February 27. The offering will consist of 15 head of as good brood sows as can be found in Southeast Missouri, 20 spring girls, 25 summer girls, 2 herd boys, Julius Caesar and The Son of Pan. Milton and Ben Blanton will continue their farm operations and retain half a dozen sows and gilts and their plant, but will not attempt further public sales until financial conditions improve and they are out of school. The editor of The Standard has neither the time nor money to stand by the venture, hence the sale. Everything has been double treated for cholera and all in fine condition.



**SIKESTON STANDARD**

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS  
AT SKESTON, MISSOURI.Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.THE STANDARD is the only paper  
in Scott County that is published  
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-  
ers wanting the news while it is  
News, and for advertisers desiring  
quick results, it is the best medium.Rates:  
Display advertising, per single column  
inch, net .....25c  
Reading notices, per line .....10c  
Financial Statements for banks, \$6.00  
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00  
Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott  
and adjoining counties .....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the  
United States .....\$2.50Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**We are authorized to announce  
Ralph McCullough of Morley for  
Superintendent of Schools of Scott  
County, subject to the will of the vot-  
ers at the April, 1923, election.We are authorized to announce Jno.  
H. Goodin of Benton for Superintend-  
ent of Schools of Scott County, sub-  
ject to the will of the voters at the  
April, 1923, election.**FROM JUDGE KELLY**

Editor of Standard:

I feel sure I can write you my  
thoughts for your consideration with-  
out giving offense to you, and am  
venturing to do so on an article print-  
ed in your paper last week. You said:The Standard has no intention  
of arguing the question as to  
whether the country is growing  
worse or better, but can plainly  
see that the eighteenth amend-  
ment has made thousands upon  
thousands of law breakers, and  
thousands more who have no re-  
spect for that law and growing  
less respectful of other laws.Your paper is not the only one  
which is continually giving public ex-  
position to such statements. Now I  
claim that all facts ought to be  
fairly faced, whether in the body  
of the law or ones private life,  
as religion for that matter. You  
claim as a fact that the eighteenth  
amendment "has made thousands up-  
on thousands of law breakers". Now  
you will further state as afact that in the past few  
years and who plead guilty to violating  
the regulations of the liquor business  
were made "law breakers" by this  
law because they violated it. I claim  
it does not follow at all that because  
these men violated the law that this  
law made them law breakers. They  
were ready, capable and willing to  
break any similar law for the same  
reasons this one was violated before  
this law was ever heard tell of, and I  
deny that the law made them law  
breakers, but when they were asked  
to comply with this law their true  
selves were revealed in the lack of  
fear or wholesome respect for law  
and they correctly and truly expres-  
sed themselves with their attitude for  
law in the disregard and violation of  
this one in particular. This particu-  
lar law has been written about more,  
spoken about more, and in many cases  
deliberate and calculated attempt to  
create sentiment against it by attri-  
buting all violations of law to this  
law, and that is the position you  
take with respect to its creating dis-  
respect for other laws. One would be  
lead to believe that before this law  
went into effect that there was a  
wholesome respect and observance of  
all law, and with its coming respect  
for law ceased. Is this true, or in  
any appreciable extent true? When  
did the same type of citizen ever re-  
spect the law against carry concealed  
weapons? As a boy I worked on a  
public works, and boarded in a large  
boarding house, and I used to see  
some of the men "dressing up" to at-  
tend a dance of the neighborhood, and  
I have seen as many as four to five  
prepare themselves, and the last ar-  
ticle to be provided was a pistol, and  
if one did not own one of his own, it  
had to be borrowed. I sat on the  
bench in one of the neighboring coun-  
ties when circuit judge of that county  
and appointed an attorney to de-  
fend a negro for carrying a concealed  
weapon, a pistol. The evidence was  
clear, as the negro had been arrested  
with it on his person. This attorney  
was willing to plead guilty for the  
client if I would not send him to the  
penitentiary, and when I would not  
promise, he stood trial. In talking the  
case over with me this lawyer said:  
"Judge, I do not care for the negro,  
but I just hate to see him sent to the  
penitentiary for something everyone  
does. Hell, we all carry them". And  
I am satisfied he was right in what  
he said, that in a general sense "all"  
carried them.I need not go back as far as my  
boyhood days to recall other instances  
of disrespect for law, but will go backonly to 1898 in Scott County. I ran  
for prosecuting attorney that year and  
attended, I believe I am safe in saying,  
fifteen to twenty country barbecues  
throughout the county, and I doubt  
whether there was one at which did  
not appear one of two men whose  
business was to run an operate open-  
ly and above board gambling ma-  
chines which were a felony then and  
now to set up and run and around  
them gathered every type nearly of  
citizen violating the law in betting on  
them. I see about the same today at  
every county fair, although the money  
feature has been made a little less  
prominent.Gambling has existed ever since I  
can remember, in various forms,  
among various classes of citizens, in  
various places, some secretly, and  
some openly, some opposed by officers,  
and some connived at by them. Now,  
I believe, there is less of it than be-  
fore, though I have not a doubt there  
is plenty going on at the present.Do you know, Mr. Editor, that the  
gambling privilege formerly were  
auctioned off to the highest bidder for  
the right to run them on the grounds  
at our county fairs? It is not en-  
tirely suppressed yet either. And this  
was by the directors of the fairs,  
men prominent in business life, so-  
cial life, yes, church life, too.They did not respect much the law  
that prevented a large income to the  
coffers of the treasurer, and that is  
exactly the class of mind possessed  
by the ordinary bootlegger who does  
not respect a law which he can make  
money easily by violating. But he  
has not regressed any. He is just  
naturally expressing himself as he al-  
ways has been. His true self is being  
shown a little more.Did you ever hear of the statutes  
against lottery, raffles, and chance  
being violated? Did you ever hear  
much respect for the law against  
playing cards on Sunday, hunting on  
Sunday, betting on elections, killing  
game and serving it out of season,  
adulteration of foods, unlawful com-  
bines, fixing prices, selling goods on  
Sunday, observing the law of the au-  
tomobile, prize fighting? And many  
others I could mention. Is there any  
more disrespect for the dry law than  
these other ones I have mentioned? I  
am sure not.How much violation of the liquor  
laws was there when we had the sal-  
oon to deal with? I suppose all con-  
nected with those old saloon statutes  
had a very solemn respect for law and  
would not have violated any of the  
regulations for fear of losing their  
respect for other laws. Now all who  
think so stand on your head.No, the disrespect for law lies  
deeper than violation of any one law  
ever placed upon that statutes of any  
country or of any state."I will put my law in their inward  
parts, and in their heart will I write  
it" is the way the Lord put it accord-  
ing to Jeremiah, and until it becomes  
such either by training or heredity we  
shall have violations of law. But one  
thing I am sure, absolutely sure of it  
as a law of psychology, practiced by  
all great advertisers, and that is such  
statements as this continually being  
put before the minds of the people,  
who do not think deeper than casual-  
ly, tends to break down in those minds  
the very respect for law that ought to  
be fostered and stimulated to grow  
there.Six sacks of mail order advertising  
was received at the Skeston postof-  
fice Friday morning telling of the  
wonderful bargains they are offering  
on white goods. This is but a fore-  
runner of more to follow as other  
mail order houses know of the good  
picking in this trade territory. For  
ten days straight the average spent  
for postal orders was \$400 per day,  
this not counting parcel post orders  
sent in collect. What is wrong? Is  
it with the people or with the mer-  
chants? It looks as though the cash  
is sent away and the credit stays at  
home.In a few days we will bid farewell  
to 1922 a year of many ups and downs  
and unusual experiences. A good  
many well grounded hopes were blast-  
ed during those 12 months and great  
quantities of wind and water were  
squeezed out of former estimated  
uses of both stocks and individuals.  
The "leveling process" through which  
we all traveled was not altogether  
pleasant at times but on a general  
average most of us got about what  
was coming to us. Faith in South-  
east Missouri, hard work evidenced by  
real sweat, and the exercise of com-  
mon horse sense kept many a South-  
east Missouri Business Bark from  
foundering. The same articles of  
business faith will, in our opinion,  
carry many business firms in our sec-  
tion to a successful end of the bright  
New Year upon which we enter next  
Monday. This firm enters the "class  
of '23" with high hopes and strong  
determination to make it a good one.  
Without flowers or flourishes we  
pledge our efforts to merit the trade  
which you feel free to give us dur-  
ing our 25th year in Southeast Mis-  
souri.—F. D. Lair.Little Mary Miles Minter, the child  
phenomenon in movies just 21 years  
of age, has quarreled with her moth-  
er and set up house keeping by her-  
self. She is a very pretty Mary, but  
willful......  
Nearly every crime of a serious na-  
ture committed in this community  
during the past year was caused by  
white mule. It is such vile stuff that  
it appears to either make brutes of  
maniacs out of those who drink it......  
The Standard acknowledges the  
receipt of a case of Kellogg's breakfast  
foods sent as a Christmas gift. After  
eating greasy turkey, wild goose,  
candy and other sweets, this corn  
flake product and cold milk felt migh-  
ty good to disordered inwards......  
There is one thing the people of  
Missouri can be thankful for and that  
is there will be no partisan legislation  
passed at this session of the Legis-  
lation. The Senate and House being  
Democratic and the Governor a Re-  
publican, will give us good laws or  
none......  
Once in a while we notice in the  
Caruthersville papers where some-  
body has died a natural death, mostly  
women, however. Their papers carry  
more accounts of killings than all other  
Southeast Missouri counties com-  
bined. It must be a meaner brand of  
booze or a meaner streak of blood......  
Now is a mighty good time for the  
farmer to have his machinery over-  
hauled and put in condition for spring  
work. Work with the machine shop,  
blacksmith and wagon shop is slack  
and they could do the work now to  
advantage. Don't wait until you are  
ready for the machinery before hav-  
ing it repaired......  
We can easily tell why we are  
against bootleg whiskey and bootleg-  
gers in particular. Several men well  
known in the community were killed  
the past year by drinking the poison  
stuff. The bootlegger would just as  
leave sell the stuff to a boy as to an  
old toper. These two reasons are  
enough without offering others......  
The announcement in the last is-  
sue of The Standard of the sale of  
Poland-China hogs by C. L. Blanton  
& Sons for February 20, was given  
without consulting the calendar at  
McCord's barn. The Southeast Mis-  
souri Duroc Association had that date  
reserved so the Poland-China sale of  
the Blantons will be held February  
27......  
Another one of the large families  
who were brought together on Christ-  
mas day was that of W. C. Bowman,  
where twenty-five members of the one  
family gathered around the festal  
board. All the children, all the sons  
and daughter's-in-law and all the  
grandchildren were there and genuine  
happiness was in evidence. May this  
family live to meet on many Christ-  
mas days to come......  
Steve Riddle was torn from the  
bosom of his family Friday night by  
the law officers and thrown into the  
bowels of Daddy Felker's bat cave  
just because he was caught with a  
supply of white mule. This is about  
the third offense for Steve so he will  
be held under a thousand dollar bond  
for the March term of court. At one  
time Steve was a hardworking man,  
but fell out with honest toil when he  
saw the prospects of affluence in the  
bootleg business. He evolved from  
an honest workman to a truck driver  
then to the owner of a Ford and to the  
jail......  
It is a true saying that you can  
catch no flies with vinegar. Just be-  
fore the holidays a newspaper repre-  
sentative, and it was not the editor of  
The Standard either, was soliciting ad-  
vertising for Christmas, when he  
opened a door at one of our business  
houses and before he could step in-  
side, one in authority did not give him  
time to state his business, but threw  
up his hands and said: "No, we don't  
want any advertising". The repre-  
sentative said: "I beg your pardon,  
but I came in to make a purchase, but  
if that is the way you feel about it,  
I'll go elsewhere". And he did. A  
grouchy merchant is the last of pea-  
time......  
You are reading this paragraph now  
because you have learned to look for  
something of value in these columns.  
Here's something that is worth much  
to you. What stores have the best  
goods and at the most reasonable  
prices in town? How can you know  
what stores they are? Watch the  
ads in this paper, for they tell the  
story. The merchant who spends  
money in advertising his goods in-  
variably has goods that are worth ad-  
vertising, and his prices must of  
necessity be right or he could not  
afford to call special attention to  
them through the public print. Just  
glue your eye to the ads and you will  
save time, trouble and money—es-  
pecially money.**Ford****INTERESTING FACTS****106,327 Ford Cars and  
Trucks Retailed in  
November****Approximately the same number  
scheduled for delivery  
this month*****What Does This Mean?***This volume of deliveries to actual owners is en-  
tirely unprecedented for this time of the year---It has taxed the manufacturing ability of the  
Ford plants working at full capacity---It indicates a volume of business during the rap-  
idly approaching months of "heavy demand"  
which will be far beyond the maximum produc-  
tion schedule which the Ford Motor Co. has set---And that means a Ford shortage even more acute  
than one which existed last Spring and Summer.Dealers' stocks all over the country are low--  
there are no reserves to draw upon to meet the  
demands for delivery---There is no way in which dealer reserves can be  
built up, as deliveries have been made to custo-  
mers as fast as cars could be manufactured since  
last April.The only way you can protect your desire to ob-  
tain prompt delivery of a Ford even at this time  
is to place your order immediately.***This emphasizes more strongly than anything we could  
possibly say the necessity of your making prompt ar-  
rangements with a Ford Dealer for the listing of your  
order, particularly if you are contemplating the purchase of a  
Ford Car or Truck for use this Spring or Summer.***We believe you are entitled to know these facts  
as they actually exist.***The Ford Motor Company***

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

**See Stubbs-Greer Motor Co., Skeston, Dealers*****A Small Deposit and Easy Payments if Desired***



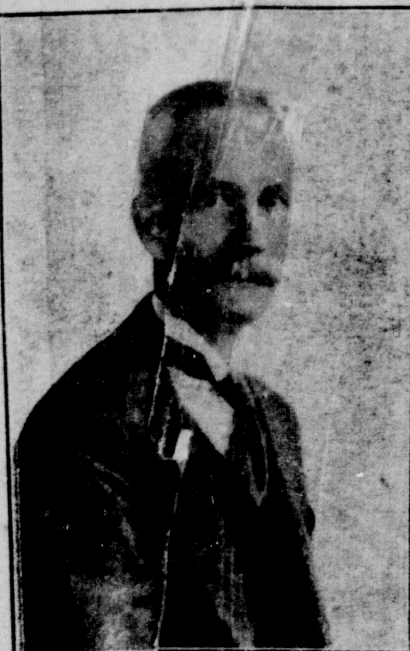
## Ellis Island

The immigration question has at least two phases: Who shall come in and how shall they be received? The two phases are not unrelated. Prof. Edward A. Steiner of Grinnell College, who had just completed one of his periodical trips in the steerage in the pursuit of his special interest as a sociologist, told a Chicago audience the other day that "Ellis Island has become a prison, with nothing to distinguish it from a penal institution" and that "unspeakable barbarities have been committed there." This is a somewhat colorful indictment, but there is other testimony pointing in the same direction. \* \* \* All sorts and conditions of people, it appears, are brought together without discrimination as to race or nationality; vermin-infested belongings of some of the immigrants contaminate the whole establishment, defeating all efforts at thoroughgoing sanitation; privacy is difficult to secure; delays are annoying and unexplained; inspectors, overworked and hardened, are gruff and unsympathetic. On the other hand, food is excellent, everything is kept as clean as possible, welfare organizations representing the principal races and nationalities among the immigrants are given free access to the various groups, inspectors are efficient and honest, with very few exceptions. \* \* \* The demand for economy of Government expenditure has had its effect at Ellis Island, as elsewhere and it is easier to call for than to justify exceptions to meet special needs. But the new interest in selection of stock for the "melting pot" is not compatible with indifference to closely related problems. If the best European material for American citizenship is to be attracted, the way in must not be made too difficult. And the less desirable, but admittedly, people must be justly treated. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

## The Revival of Etiquette

According to many signs and rumors there is a reviving interest in formal etiquette. Whether this is based on a genuine and general interest in better manners or chiefly on the ability, amounting to genius, of the advertisers of books on etiquette is not yet quite clear. In either case there is no harm to be done, and much good, by laying a little more emphasis on the outward signs of good breeding. Still, if the outward signs were the whole story there would be little hope for those seeking perfection in the art of etiquette. One might mention a thousand rules governing the little details of daily life and yet come up against a situation requiring knowledge of a thousand-and-first rule, not yet learned. To cheer the despairing, let it be known that there is one simple rule which applies to almost all the polite formalities of life. That is the old, familiar rule of doing to others as you'd want them to do to you.—Lima (O.)—Republican Gazette.

## THE EVOLUTION OF AN EDITOR



THE EDITOR



THE ASS



THE GOAT

## "CLARENCE" AT MALONE THEATRE MONDAY &amp; TUESDAY

William deMille's "Clarence" is Booth Tarkington's "Clarence" and will have just as strong an appeal as the play.

It is the most delightful picture I have seen in a long, long time. It is full of real human people and they give you many a laugh. Wally Reid is excellent as "Clarence", the seemingly stupid, helpless ex-soldier whose influence sets everything straight in a household that has been all awry. May McAvoy and Robert Agnew make a great pair of lovesick kids. Agnes Ayres is good as the governess, and Kathryn Williams puts over some fine comedy as the wife who is always sorry for herself.

It is the story of the Wheeler family. Edward Martindale is Mr. Wheeler. Kathryn Williams is Mrs. Wheeler. Agnes Ayres is Violet Pinney, the governess who is trying to teach Cora Wheeler (McAvoy), a romantic kid of about sixteen who is in love with Martindale's secretary Stem (Adolphe Menjou). Menjou wants to marry McAvoy because her father has a lot of money.

Bobby Wheeler (Robert Agnew) has a puppy love, long distance affection for Ayres but he's all upset because the maid tells him "the butler's broke our engagement because he saw you kiss me. Now you got to marry me or I'll sue you for damages".

Kathryn Williams is in a stew because she thinks her husband is in love with Ayres—which he isn't. Ayres learns that McAvoy is in love with Menjou and goes to Martindale's office to tell him. Reid, just out of the army, looking like the wrath of God in an old army suit, overseas cap and hornrimmed spectacles, is there. He wants to see Martindale because Reid has read a speech in the papers, delivered by Martindale, urging everybody to help the returned soldier. It was a good speech but Martindale does not mean much of it.

While he is in the reception room the whole Wheeler family gets into a row over McAvoy's love affair and things in general. McAvoy has learned from Reid that he was a mule driver in the army and he has told her that he could drive mules without swearing. She has told her father of this gift that Reid has. In desperation, at the end of the family row he says to Reid:

"Is it true that you can drive mules without swearing?"

Reid says he can.

"Then," says the father, "I guess you would be useful in my home" and hires him.

Up to this time you have had fine comedy scenes which continue through the story. McAvoy's "great eternal love" is a problem she has put up to Reid. The boy asks him "if you'd kissed a person and then fell in love with a lady, what'd you do?"

Reid turns out to be a regular handy man about the house. The kid asks him what he did before the war and Reid answers simply, "Bugs".

Reid teaches the chauffeur how to play the saxophone better, tucks the piano and with great restraint throws Menjou out of the house when Menjou comes to threaten Ayres the unless she lets him see McAvoy he will tell Kathryn Williams that Ayres and Martindale are in love with each other.

Menjou contrives to see McAvoy and persuades her to elope. He tells her he will meet her at the minister's. Reid catches her just as she is about to drive away. He secretly opens the oil plug and lets her go, then gets Ayres and they start after her, following her by the trail of oil.

They arrive at the minister's just as McAvoy is getting there. Menjou knocks Reid down and starts on a run for the minister's with McAvoy. Reid gets to his feet, catches Menjou by the back of the shoulders and shakes him—pleasantly and deliberately as if it were a job he had to do and one that he was going to do thoroughly—until Menjou collapses.

Then Reid takes the kicking McAvoy and drives away, with Ayres holding her as McAvoy stretches her arms to Heaven appealing to Menjou to come and save her.

In the fight Reid has dropped his pocketbook, which Menjou finds. In it

**Mr. Glancy of The MARQUETTE**  
18th St. and Washington Ave.  
St. Louis

**A Refined Hotel for Your Mother, Wife and Sister**

**Rates:**  
Room with Private Bath  
One Person \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00  
Two Persons \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00  
Rooms without bath, \$1 and \$1.50

is a clipping telling of Charles Smith, a deserter, sought by the war department and by a divorced wife seeking alimony. Above the news item is a picture, cut off at the waist, by who ever clipped the item from the paper. It shows only the legs of Charles Smith.

Reid, Ayres and McAvoy return. McAvoy is furious. Agnew, the kid, enters and defends Ayres—"the most high minded, spirited woman that ever lived".

McAvoy and Agnew start a hair pulling match. Williams, then Martindale, enter.

Reid, in the meantime, has gone to his room and he returns dressed up in his new store clothes. His influence at once begins to smooth out the family quarrels. He starts to play the saxophone and Kathryn Williams accompanies him on the piano.

He is so handsome that McAvoy at once falls in love with him. Just as everything seems right, Menjou enters and shows the clipping to Martindale.

Martindale asks Reid his right name. Nobody has been sure what it was—everybody called him Clarence, and when he gave it the first time he coughed and Martindale's secretary wrote it down as "Sman".

Reid tells him his name is Clarence Smith, takes the clipping and turns it over and shows that on the back is an item about Professor Clarence Smith who has made great discoveries regarding the effect of sound upon bugs, using a saxophone for the sound.

It turns out that Clarence is a famous professor.

He has been expecting a letter, which the butler has been carrying because it was addressed to Dr. C. Smith. The letter offers Reid his old job back at an advance in salary.

It was what he had been waiting for. Now he asks Ayres to marry him.

The butler and the maid make up. Husband and wife find that they have been neglecting romance and Ayres and Reid walk into the garden leaving grief in the hearts of McAvoy, who loves Reid, and Agnew, who loves Ayres.

Reid kisses Ayres.  
"Oh, Violet" sighs Bobby.  
"Oh, Clarence", weeps McAvoy.

## Announcement Party For Miss Wise

One of the most delightful affairs of the holiday season was a surprise announcement party given by Mrs. Harry Dudley and her sister, Miss Helen Thomas, Wednesday night, announcing the engagement of Miss Hazel Wise and Mr. Fred Hettlage.

Miss Wise is the splendid young woman connected with the Cook Grain Co. and Mr. Hettlage is in the mercantile business with Mrs. Lillie McGee at Kewanee. The date has not been set for the marriage.

Quite a novel idea was used in announcing the engagement.

The evening was spent playing Bridge and when refreshments were served each guest received a cup of mints with a tiny envelope in same with a question mark on it. Inside the envelope Miss Wise and Mr. Hettlage names were written and then cut up like a puzzle and when the pieces were placed in their proper order the puzzle was solved.

Among those invited were: Misses Hazel Wise, Helen Grojean, Helen and Emma Brusch, Adella and Lois McCord, Euline Fenwick, Irma Wilson, Margaret Harris, Bernie Daugherty, Holly Wise, Sara Allen, Elouise Mathewson, Mrs. John Riley and Mrs. Fannie Fine of New Madrid, Mrs. H. Clay Stubbs, Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Miss Gladys Kendall, Mrs. W. A. Anthony, Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mrs. J. C. Woods and Miss Pauline Graham.

## Maxims of a Modern Maid

Post-Dispatch.  
Masculine charity may not be all embracing, but it never yet has hesitated to embrace the feminine victim of a cruel and censorious world—if only she's pretty enough.

The children write letters to Santa Claus, but when a poor little woman wants a pearl necklace she can only drop hints to her husband—or to some other husband. And there's lots of men on whom hinting has absolutely no effect!

If, as Clemenceau says, victory in war means holding out 15 minutes later than your opponent, victory in love means letting go 15 minutes earlier.

When a male citizen of this unromantic modern world pays a woman a charming compliment, she can be more suspicious of him than a traveler dying in the desert can look for an ulterior motive at the bottom of a cup of cold water!

Almost any couple can refrain from quarreling about the so-called great problems of life, but what strains diplomatic relations to the breaking point is the question of how far to keep the windows open in winter.

## Ford Sales Record Broken

According to a statement issued by the Ford Motor Company, deliveries of Ford cars and trucks to retail buyers during the month of November totaled 106,327. This is a new high sales record that has never before been approached by the Company at this season of the year and one which stands out in marked contrast to the November 1921 retail delivery figures which totalled slightly over 58,000 cars and trucks.

For eight consecutive months, beginning with April 1st of this year retail deliveries have exceeded 100,000 Ford cars and trucks each month; the accumulated total for the first 11 months of 1922 being approximately 1,200,000. While the Company points out that it is not unusual for Ford retail sales to exceed the 100,000 mark during the spring and early summer months when the demand is at its peak, the manner in which Ford sales have held up throughout the balance of the year is without precedent.

Credit for this remarkable showing is attributed by the Ford Motor Co. to the many improvements which have lately been made on Ford cars and particularly the new low level of Ford prices, recently put into effect. These new low prices not only broadened the field of prospective Ford purchasers but go still further in making the Ford car the best value from the standpoint of the retail buyer, that it has ever been.

Although the Ford factories have been operating at capacity for the past eight months, sales have equalled production and judging from the unusual manner in which orders are coming in at this season of the year Ford dealers will be unable to accumulate an adequate stock of cars during the winter months for delivery next spring.

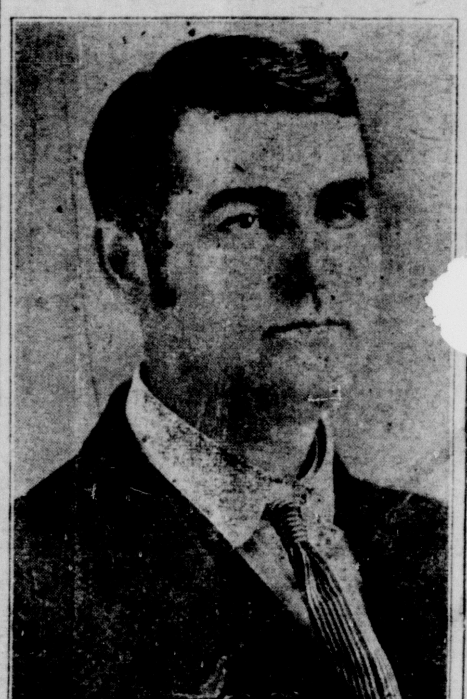
In the opinion of the Ford Motor Company, November sales are an indication that many prospective purchasers, realizing the exceptional value now being offered in Ford cars, are beginning to anticipate an unusual spring demand and are therefore planning orders during the fall and will continue to do so throughout the winter to avoid disappointing delays in delivery later on. While this will relieve the situation to some extent, it is pointed out that the steadily increasing demand for Ford cars is nevertheless sure to create an acute shortage as the season advances.

Accordingly, the Ford Sales Organization is urging prospective Ford purchasers to arrange for delivery during the winter months in order that the demand next spring will be relieved as far as possible.

Returns from banded birds sent in to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture constantly traveled by migratory birds in their instinctive search for a warm place to winter. Mallard duck No. 102755, banded at Brownings, Ill., on March 12 of this year, was killed November 9 about 7 miles southwest of Lexington, Neb., about 600 miles west. No. 102470, also a mallard duck, banded at Brownings on March 7, was shot November 12 at Leavenworth, Kans., some 500 miles west of where it started. Both of these ducks probably made a spring flight northward and then south in the fall to the point of capture.

For the first time in the history of the British Co-operative Congress, the recent convention of the society was presided over by a woman.

## J. B. ALBRITTON



**UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER**  
Sikeston, Mo.

Located at Greenhouse

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT  
AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

Flowers for All Occasions

## The Governor Grows Careless

Governor Hyde returns from his eastern trip and tells the St. Louis reporters that he won't submit his consolidation bills unless there is a chance to pass them, but that he still believes in them. He avows no particular preference as to the form of the bills. He merely wants to consolidate and co-ordinate.

Incidentally that was the Governor's trouble two years ago. He was not particular about the form of a bill, if it was a "consolidation" bill. It made no difference if the bill created an autocrat with amazing powers, if it was a "consolidation" it was sacred. A "budget" bill was a "budget" bill, in the eyes of the Governor, regardless of what the bill contained.

The Governor may be more practical than he thinks he is, and the coming session might prove it. For instance, what would he think of a bill that put the Game and Fish Department, the Oil Inspection Bureau, the Beverage Inspection Department, the Food and Drug Department, and a few others, under the Secretary of State, with about half as many employees as these bureaus have now? What would he think of abolishing the Tax Commission the Insurance and the Finance Departments transferring their duties to the State Auditor and the State Treasurer, with a great reduction in expenditure? Then, as a final proposition, how would he like to abolish the Grain and Warehouse Department and transfer it to the jurisdiction of the State Board of Agriculture, and provide that this board should be strictly bi-partisan in character?

We do not say that anything of this kind would be attempted, but it is certain that these would be real consolidations, with a great saving in public funds and without impairing public efficiency in any of these various activities of the State, BUT THE GOVERNOR WOULD BE DEPRIVED OF THE PRIVILEGE OF FILLING THE JOBS.

It's a safe bet that the Governor would be particular as to the form of the consolidation bills, if they contemplated the reduction in the number of offices and took the patronage involved out of his hands.—Missouri State Journal.

## The New Turkey

When Mohammed VI went away he left behind 150 wives with no visible means of support. The new Government took over the burden along with the army, the navy, the post office and other recognized governmental obligations, but it now announces that times being what they are, and taxpayers showing signs of fretfulness, it is compelled to lop the harem off the public payroll. The Government doesn't want to hurry or hurry them, but they must prepare to vacate the flat, as the new Sultan means to run it on the economical basis of one wife at a time. While the ladies are packing, and perhaps fussing a little in a tearful manner over the division of the stockings and camisoles, the Government is doing them a friendly turn by trying to find husbands for them. It is willing to give them the highest testimonials and most unimpeachable references, in case any Turk who is thinking of getting married would care to look them over. The Government says in its prospectus that these ladies were selected for the harem on account of their youth, beauty and figure. "They have," says the Government in the official specification, matchless complexions, dark eyes and long chestnut colored hair". Somehow it reminds of the United States Shipping Board advertising the wooden fleet. But the Turkish Government keeps its best word for the last. The complexions, eyes and chestnut colored hair are almost irresistible, but when the Government guarantees under its official seal that these beauties are also "religious, faithful and affectionate", the rush ought to begin. —Kansas City Star.

The birth of two bull buffalo calves during November was reported to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture. One was at Wind Cave Preserve and one at Sullys Hill Preserve. This makes a total of 104 buffalo calves born this season on the four preserves, which are known as the National Bison Range, Niobrara Reservation, Wind Cave, and Sullys Hill. The death of one calf at Sullys Hill is the only one reported of all those born.

A Sedalia woman got a divorce because her husband never came home on time. A lot of divorces are also gotten because hubby came home a little before time.—McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

For the first time in the history of Japan, women are permitted to hold and attend meetings for the discussion of political questions.

## An All-Around Citizen

Grabble & Son, wholesalers, sold a bill of goods to J. B. West, a merchant at a small crossroads village in Missouri, and when the goods arrived at the village, Mrs. West refused them. The wholesale firm prepared to institute suit for collection, and wrote to the railroad agent at the village for information about the arrival of the merchandise, to the president of the bank for information concerning the financial standing of their customer, to the mayor of the city asking him to recommend a good lawyer to handle their case, and to Mr. West, threatening suit if he did not make payment at once. Mr. West answered:

"I received the letter telling me I had better pay up. I am the railroad agent at Crossings, and also received the letter you wrote to the agent. I am president and sole owner of the local bank, and can assure you as to my financial standing. As the mayor of the city, I hesitate to refer you to a lawyer, since I am the only member of the bar of this vicinity. If I were not also pastor of the Methodist church, I would tell you to go to H—l!"—Windsor (Missouri) Review.

## HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Addressed to Progressive Merchants in this Community

## Sell More Goods Move More Merchandise

In St. Louis, February 6th, 7th and 8th, a great merchandising conference to study how to "Move More Merchandise" will be held. You are invited.

Thirty Nationally known figures will speak there on subjects you ought to know about—subjects that have to do with your business.

Actual demonstrations under experts will be made to show you how to

**Trim Your Windows Better Write Better Show Cards Write and Lay Out Better Ads**

A special fare and a half rate on the certificate plan has been arranged. Ask your railroad or newspaper man.

ADVERTISING CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

## Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 8-9



Here's to "The PRIDE of PALOMAR"

A Cosmopolitan Production

## "The Pride of Palomar"

A Cosmopolitan Production A Paramount Picture

With an all-star cast headed by

Marjorie Daw and Forrest Stanley

Also News and Comedy

"Take Next Car"

Admission 15c and 30c

Where fiery Spanish passions, where Spanish ideals of honor still cling to the American West—that's the setting of Peter B. Kyne's greatest story. A virile romance gay with color and bold with adventure. And throwing a new light upon America's gravest problem. Directed by the man who made "Humoresque".

Cosmopolitan Corporation Presents



## SIKESTON LION CLUB TO ROAR IN MINSTREL

The Skeston Lion's Club is sponsoring a vaudeville show at the Malone Theatre on the evening of Wednesday, January 10, that is promising to be a display of entertaining talent par excellence, embellished in costumes of deluxe and supported by musical numbers bordering on the extravaganza.

There will be ten numbers, in all but two of which members of the Lion's Club will take the leading roles.

Phil Baxter, whose musical aggregation is well known to Southeast Missourians, and whose harmonious reditons have successfully soothed the Lions at their feasts, will contribute "some of his own" on this evening and the audience can be sure that it will be to their liking.

The Stubbs Brothers—Joe, Clay, Dick, Jack and Paul—will give an original musical skit that will be the "Stubbiest" performance Skeston has seen in a home talent show.

A. Ray Smith, president of the Lion's Club, is not generally known to be a ventriloquist—but he is, and a good one—one of the new school, much better than the old-time trick talking. This number will make the wise-acres sit up late at night wondering how it was done.

Juba Barrett, whose every-day performance is that of assistant bank cashier, will head a company presenting for the first time in Skeston "A Damn Lie". No one can do this so well as Juba (this is not a nick-name for Jupiter).

Julian Redtinge, the "Impersonator Supreme", will favor the audience with a performance as mystifying as is his own personality—and that is saying a good deal.

"Sawing a Woman in Two" is an old "saw", but it will be done next Wednesday evening with a brand new saw on a new woman and will be blood-curdling but real.

H. Clay Stubbs will lead a dazzling chorus in "Songs of Today". The chorus will be good to look at and the songs will be pleasant to hear.

Charles Lee Blanton is on the bill for an exhibition of aesthetic dances. All who know Charlie—and all know him—can rest assured that this part of the program will be limited only by Charlie's majestic form and its graceful maneuvers.

William H. Sikes will appear as "That Sweet Southern Minstrel" in songs both sweet and Southern.

The closing number will be "Living and Dead" in this production, which is included in the membership of the local Lion's Club, which is as follows:

Dr. W. A. Anthony, R. G. Applegate, E. E. Arterburn, A. C. Barrett, H. C. Blanton, C. L. Blanton, Jr., C. F. Bruton, C. H. Denman, H. E. Dudley, P. M. Gervig, W. E. Hollingsworth, J. H. Galleener, J. S. Kevill, J. W. Kimes, Dr. T. C. McClure, Rev. Thomas B. Mather, E. A. Matthews, J. L. Matthews, E. C. Matthews, C. D. Matthews, Jr., W. T. Malone, L. F. Mayfield, W. L. Patterson, L. D. Randall, Dr. H. E. Reuber, J. N. Ross, A. Ray Smith, W. H. Sikes, Joe Stubbs, Jr., H. C. Stubbs, E. F. Schorle, Alvin Taylor, T. A. Wilson, J. H. Yount, H. C. Young.

Thornton Wilson is directing the show, which is another guarantee that it will be a satisfying event of fun and good cheer. The proceeds will be used in the charitable and community work planned by the Lion's Club.

Tickets will go on sale Saturday at Dudley's confectionery.

## SAYS MOTORS COST FARMERS \$30,000,000 A YEAR ON OATS

Chicago, Dec. 27.—American farmers are losing approximately \$30,000,000 a year on their oats crop and probably a like amount on their hay crops through the use of automobiles, motor trucks and tractors which have largely supplanted the use of horses in the cities, according to Robert McDougal, president of the Chicago Board of Trade in analyzing the effect of motorized hauling on the horse and grain market. McDougal believes, however, the pendulum is swinging the other way, pointing out that the prices on good draft horses are advancing.

"In 1910 there were 3,500,000 horses in the cities," said McDougal, "while in 1920 there was a trifle more than half that number. Most city horses are fed upon oats and hay. Oats prices recently averaged 65 cents below wheat prices, whereas before we began using gasoline they averaged 62 cents below wheat. This is a loss of 3 cents per bushel, which based upon an average crop of 1,000,000,000 bushels nets the farmer a tidy loss."

"There is no doubt the big power tractor has reached the saturation point. In many farming sections high-powered tractors were bought by small scale farmers. It was a disastrous venture for many. In the cities many businesses turned their backs upon the horse for short hauls with frequent stops. Today the farmer is feeding a yard of colts and the horse is coming into his own for short hauls."

"The horse will never come back to his old place in the city, but he is going to be sure of an important place in moving several varieties of commodities."

Last Thursday afternoon Miss Evelyn Sutton entertained several of her friends with a tea.

Dr. and Mrs. Schurbush are home after spending the holidays with friends and relatives in Perry County.

Just at this particular time the editor is thankful that he doesn't own a car and that he wears just ordinary spectacles.

This issue of The Standard will be delivered in Skeston by the postal carriers. It may be that some name may have been left off the mailing galley so if your neighbor misses the paper and you hear of it, kindly advise the office.

## MISSOURI CONGRESS NOW IN SESSION

Jefferson City, January 3.—The Missouri Legislature convened at noon today for its fifty-second biennial session, the mid-term session of Gov. Hyde's administration, with Democratic majorities in both branches.

At caucuses last night the Senate and House Democrats agreed upon the organization the results for the principal offices being as forecast in the Post-Dispatch yesterday.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant-Governor Lloyd and the House by Secretary of State Becker.

The Senate after perfecting its organization adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The House after adopting the rules of Fifty-first General Assembly adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

The Governor's message will be delivered tomorrow.

As a result of the caucus actions, former Lieut.-Gov. Painter of Carrollton, Senator-elect, will be president pro tem of the Senate and will have the appointment of the Senate committees, the Democrats having agreed to put over a change in the rules to take that power from Lieut.-Gov. Lloyd who is a Republican. Oak Hunter of Moberly was agreed upon for the speakership of the House and will appoint the committees.

The other officers selected for the Senate are: Frank H. Farris of Rolla, caucus chairman and floor leader; H. C. Chancellor, Jr. of Barton County, assistant secretary; Edward O'Hara of St. Louis, doorkeeper; Tim Birmingham of St. James, sergeant-at-arms; Frank Armstrong of Harrisonville, official reporter; Mrs. Clyde Walker of Mountain View, chief of the enrolling force; H. C. Davis of Howard County, chief of the engrossing force; the Rev. B. F. Hill of Linn County, chaplain.

The officers for the House, in addition to the speaker, will be: J. E. W. Allison, Maries County, speaker pro tem; William Hicks, Kansas City, Chief clerk; James T. O'Brien, St. Louis, assistant chief clerk; Charles O. Nelson, Cass County, chief of the engrossing force; J. Will Shockley, Maries County, chief of the enrolling force; George T. Sanders of Ray County, and R. H. McClanahan of Sullivan County, reading clerks; Charles Branham of Ray County, doorkeeper; Miss Millicent Peck of Dent County, postmaster; the Rev. G. A. Hoffman of Stoddard County, chaplain; H. D. McClellan of Adair County, sergeant-at-arms; H. C. Adair of Shannon County, official reporter.

Thomas J. Roney of Jasper County was made caucus chairman and will preside over the sessions of the House as temporary speaker until Hunter formally is elected. In both houses the usual plan of solemnly agreeing upon a curtailed clerical force was adopted. And, as usual, the agreement was entered into with every evidence of sincerity, but unless history fails to repeat itself, the number will be augmented until within two or three weeks two or three times the number of clerks agreed upon will be in force.

In the House, the resolution presented by Bales of Shannon stipulated that the total number of House employees should be limited to 122, including all clerks, stenographers, pages and janitors. This is about the usual number agreed upon at the beginning of the session, but it usually is shortly increased to between 200 and 300.

Under the resolution each of 83 Democratic members will have the privilege of appointing one clerk. The remainder were either elected in the caucus or will be chosen by the Committee on Clerical Force. In the Senate each of the 19 Democratic Senators was authorized to appoint three clerks and one stenographer, and each of the 15 Republican Senators was authorized to appoint one clerk. This with the janitors and employees elected last night will bring the Senate force to about 125 for the beginning of the session.

Notwithstanding the fact that there will be no work of any character for more than a dozen clerks in each House for fully two weeks, most of the clerks will be named immediately, and, of course, will go on the payroll immediately. There was nothing in either caucus to prevent members from appointing relatives and it is to be expected that the nepotism, which has characterized every session, will appear at this.

The Jefferson City Capital News was named the official paper of the House and will publish the official proceedings, for which it will be paid \$1 an inch, and 2 cents each for 200 copies of the paper daily. In previous Legislatures there has been no advertising rate paid for the official record publication, the paper receiving the work being paid 10 cents a copy for from 200 to 300 papers. The Senate took no action regarding

an official publication, further than to informally agree that both houses should have the same paper. It probably today will also select the Capital News at the same rate as that fixed by the House.

## PARASITES MAY HELP COMBAT EUROPEAN CORN BORER PEST

The work of introducing the natural enemies of the corn borer from Europe made rapid strides during the last fiscal year, according to the report of the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. Agents at Hyeres, southern France, have been almost constantly collecting and shipping insect parasites of the corn borer to America, where these have been assorted and reared, to be subsequently liberated in large numbers in the heavily infested regions of New England. More than 500,000 specimens of a single species of parasite were liberated in this manner during the summer of 1922, and thousands of individuals of several other kinds were also liberated in this region.

The present plans of the bureau include the continuation of this work, in order to insure, where possible, the establishment of all available beneficial insect enemies of the pest before it becomes widely distributed through out the United States. With this in view, what promise to be successful steps have been taken to establish one species of these parasites on native corn borers in the South Atlantic and Gulf States and on the sugar cane borer in Louisiana so that this enemy may be present and ready to attack the pest in case the European corn borer should spread to those regions.

## Taxation in Switzerland

In several European countries certain radical elements, with the support of a few academic thinkers, have been urging a levy on capital in addition to high income taxation as a means of solving existing grave financial problems and paying off war debts. In England the Labor party advocated a capital levy, and that feature of its platform cost its hosts of supporters at the recent parliamentary election. Switzerland was not a belligerent in the World War, but its finances were dislocated by that great struggle and it has been facing budgetary difficulties. The Socialists and other radicals proposed a drastic levy on capital. Any individual or corporation having more than \$15,000 capital was to have been taxed 8 per cent on the excess up to \$20,000. From that point the tax was graduated and progressive, so that in many cases the State could have claimed 60 per cent of the excess over the \$15,000 minimum. The Swiss Parliament rejected the proposal, but its sponsors obtained 50,000 signatures to a referendum petition and submitted the question to the electorate. It was believed at first that the peasantry would vote overwhelmingly for the tax, but the proposal was rejected, 7 to 1. \* \* \* The Swiss farmer wants credit and low interest rates; the Swiss workman wants steady employment and fair wages, the Swiss business man wants active trade. The mere threat of a levy or capital caused a slump in the securities market and raised interest rates. Capital was withdrawn from the country or invested in foreign securities industries began to plan restriction of production and to discharge employees. These natural results of a serious peril told their own story. The voters made short work of the confiscatory levy on capital. Advocates of such a levy in England, Italy and elsewhere may learn something from the Swiss episode.—Chicago News.

San Francisco has a Filipino club, presided over by native women.

Misses Catherine Blanton, Honora Bailey, Marian Decker and Helen Welsh left Tuesday night for Columbia, Mo.

Miss Mary Ethel Prow returned to Hollins, Va., Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Prow accompanied her as far as Cincinnati, Ohio.

The friends and acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Erdmann will be glad to hear that their little daughter, Lauretta, is some improved and the nurse and doctor gives hopes of her recovery.

Charged with selling wild ducks and shipping them by mail in packages not marked to disclose nature of contents, William T. J. Lewis, of Hopkins, Va., was sentenced to jail for five months by Judge Rose, presiding in the Federal court in Baltimore, Md. This is one of the most severe jail sentences ever imposed for violation of the migratory bird treaty act. Lewis' activities were disclosed when the Federal game warden seized some of the ducks which he had shipped by mail and obtained letters written by him to prospective customers offering wild ducks for sale. The migratory bird treaty act is enforced by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture.

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AWARDED FOR EFFICIENCY

Jack Phelps and Everett Hargroves of the Commercial Department of our local High School, have been awarded medals and Miss Mildred Reed has been awarded a certificate for efficiency by the Underwood Type Writing Co. and the Remington Typewriter Co. awarded a medal to Jack Phelps and a card case to Max Smith for efficiency. The School Board have added two new Remington machines to the Commercial Department at the High School.

## SWEATERS FOR THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

The High School girls, who played basketball last year and those who have played this year have been presented with white sweaters with the letter "S" on them. The girls are very proud of them.

## Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School classes for all ages and all grades. J. C. Horne, Superintendent.

11:00—Morning Worship. Music led by choir. Sermon by the pastor.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and Society Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Spiritual Songs. Sermon by the pastor.

You are cordially invited to our services. It is always becoming and wholesome to honor God in Public Worship and to delight in His Word and set a right example for others. It is good to begin to do this now.

## Methodist Church

9:30—Sunday School.

10:45—Preaching. "The Frailty of Human Goodness".

2:00—Junior League.

6:30—Intermediate and Senior Leagues.

7:30—Preaching. "Fundamentals."

Come worship with us. We have a seat for you and a hearty welcome.

THOS. B. MATHER, Pastor.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Case, of Poplar Bluff, mother of F. B. Case, and Mrs. Mable Driskill of Piggott, Ark., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Case, are guests at the Case home in Skeston.

Large decreases in the wheat and barley crops in Spain are indicated in cablegrams received by the United States Department of Agriculture. Production of wheat is placed at 125,478,000 bushels from an acreage of 10,307,000 acres, compared with 145,150,000 bushels from 10,386,000 acres in 1921. Production of barley is placed at 77,528,000 bushels from 4,080,000 acres, compared with 89,320,000 bushels from 4,335,000 acres in 1921.

A number of Skestonians own stock in the Finley Aerocruiser that has been before the public for the past five years. Little or nothing has been done towards actually constructing a machine, but a great deal has been done to sell the stock. The only real accomplishment has been the developing and building of an engine claimed to have great possibilities. This engine is now in Skeston for demonstration to those interested. The Standard hopes the stockholders will yet realize something, but it looks like a 1000 to 1 shot.

Attention is called to the Minner Community Meeting to be held Friday night of this week to which all members are requested to be present as a splendid program will be presented. W. E. Foard, Scott County Farm Agent, will talk on the County Farm Bureau; Roscoe Warren on State Farm Bureau; J. J. Reiss on National Farm Bureau; John Powell on Farm Bloc. The many phases in which all these subjects help the farmer and the community should prove very beneficial to those who are present. A pruning demonstration will be given and small trees from the orchard will be brought in for the demonstration. After the regular program is given refreshments will be served and a general good time will be had.

A party of local nimrods hid themselves to a lake, not over 25 miles distant, in quest of migratory birds. They succeeded in bagging quite a number of wild ducks and, upon arriving at home with the spoils of the war waged against the feathered creatures, discovered a metal band engraved on the outside of the band was the words "Write Box 48, Kingsville, Ont." while on the inside of the band was "He careth for you. 1 Pet. 5-7." It is said that the Canadian government is studying the migratory habits of wild ducks and use this method of ascertaining just how far their ducks stray from home. Any person killing one of these marked ducks is directed to write the office indicated, stating the time and place of killing. The eggs of wild ducks are hatched by domestic fowls and these ducks are thus branded while in captivity.—Caruthersville Democrat.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Earl Swartz is visiting relatives in Urbana, Ill.

Mrs. G. D. Steele was a New Madrid visitor Saturday.

Miss Aletha Hill spent the week-end with Miss Verna King.

Miss Bess Hill of St. Louis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roe Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Jones of Pharris Ridge were in Matthew Saturday.

We are glad to report that M. H. Sutton is recovering from a severe attack of acute indigestion.

Mrs. Cadie McAdoo returned Sunday, after spending the Xmas holidays with relatives in Tennessee.

Master Granville Mainord of New Madrid spent the week-end in Matthews visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Albert Deane, little daughter, Helen and Miss Frankie Deane motor-d to New Madrid Saturday afternoon.

Misses Steele and Estele Fakes of New Madrid were guests of Misses Addie James and Frankie Deane, Friday.

George Clifford returned to his home in Chicago Friday after a few days visit at this place with Miss Addie James.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children of Skeston spent Sunday with Mrs. McCarthy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton.

Atty. Taylor and other hunters of St. Louis have been here the past week hunting with Judge G. D. Steele, F. E. Story and Clarence Hanott.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Baxter and little son returned to their home in Dallas, Texas after spending the Xmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane, daughters, Misses Willa and Lillith, son William, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz at a six o'clock dinner Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carrd returned home Saturday from Fredericktown, where they spent Xmas with Mrs. Carrd's mother, Mrs. Emma Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid, Mr. and Mrs. Gill Brooks and family of Crowe district, were all day guests of Mrs. Nannie Mainord Sunday.

Master Wm. H. Deane, Jr., had as his guests at a birthday dinner Sunday, Masters Granville Mainord of New Madrid, Casner Story and Louie Deane, Misses Marie and Mary Deane of this city.

Mrs. J. R. King had as dinner guests Wednesday, Mrs. C. C. Buchanan and mother, Mrs. Amanda King, niece Miss Anna Belle Buchanan and John King of Fairview and Miss Rebecca Pierce of Skeston.

## Bankruptcy Court

Emmett Burke, farmer of near Blodgett, filed a voluntary petition of bankruptcy in federal district court today, claiming his liabilities to be \$32,222.33. His assets are only \$1,050.29.

The secured claims for the estate amount to \$7480, while the unsecured are \$19,129.33. The preferred claims total \$4,000.

Evin Burke, farmer of near Vanduser, listed his liabilities as \$24,109.33 in a voluntary petition of bankruptcy filed in federal district court. His assets are only \$512.

The secured claims amount to \$4,780 and the unsecured to \$19,129.33.—Cape Missourian.

Misses Evelyn Sutton and Mildred Reed went to Chaffee Thursday afternoon to visit with Mrs. Jack Green.

Nominated as a joke, Miss Susanne W. Salter, to the great surprise of herself and friends, was elected Mayor of Norman, Okla.

H. A. Adams, wife and children of Palestine, Texas, visited the family of his brother, John W. Adams of this city during the week.

Thursday morning the Iron Mountain station was so crowded with negroes that the same space crowded with billy goats would not have smelled stronger.

Ruth McCoy of Skeston enrolled this week in the Chillicothe Business College at Chillicothe, choosing the complete course as offered in the Stenographic Department of that school.

Mrs. E. A. Lawrence and Mrs. L. M. Staup entertained with Bridge at their home on Thursday evening and Friday afternoon, complimentary to Mrs. C. M. Clay of Mexico, Mo., who is their house guest.

The average yield of potatoes per acre in the United States varies from about 60 bushels in Texas to more than 200 bushels in Maine, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture. The average for the entire country for the past 10 years is 98 bushels per acre.

Steve Riddle, bootlegger, was admitted to a \$390 cash bond by Justice Lescher, Wednesday afternoon and will be at the service of his friends and customers until the March term of court unless Tom Scott and Sheriff Kirkendall catches him again. The editor of The Standard was shown a letter from Deputy Sheriff Tom Scott asking to have Riddle held for court under \$100 bond and the bondsmen to be worth it. This is the third offense for Riddle and the small bond he is out on will mean little to a successful business man. By the time court commences he can sell \$1000 worth of white mule, maybe kill a customer or two, but what does that matter, we must have the goods! Three hundred dollars! Someone higher up must have been scared.

# Organ Recital

AT

## SIKESTON METHODIST CHURCH

Thursday, January 11th

At 8:00 P. M.

By

## Chas. Galloway

Organist at St. Peter's Episcopal Church,

St. Louis, and Director of Music at

Washington University

One of America's Most Noted Musicians

All Are Invited To Hear Him

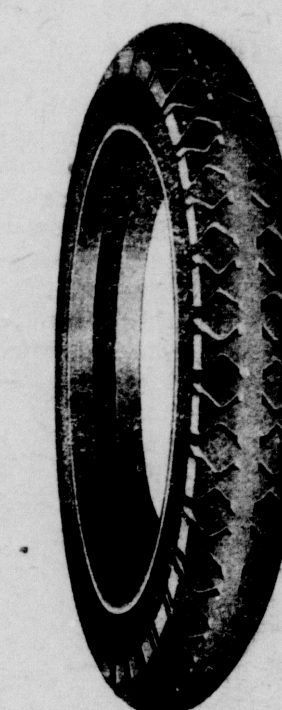
A Silver Offering Will Be Received at the Door—Otherwise

Admission Is Free

This is the first number of a series of Concerts and lectures being given free by the Skeston Methodist Church

This space given free by The Standard

I have carried. I mean boyhood of Chesapeake.



## Ready to Go With Americas and Gillettes

WHEN America or Gillette Tires are on your Automobile, you can forget all about 'em for thousands of miles. That's the best recommendation we can think of!

Just keep them properly inflated and only a very unusual accident will cause trouble.

We do our own adjusting, thus insuring you prompt satisfaction. You can secure only firsts from us.

Phone 205

## Farmers Supply Co.

Hardware Department



## 1250 MILES OF MISSOURI ROADS UNDER CONTRACT, REPORT SHOWS

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 28.—The State Highway Commission, in its annual report for the year 1922 which was made public today, announced that 1236 miles of road which cost \$6,515,985 had been completed and that 1236 miles of road which cost \$6,515,985 had been completed and that 1259 miles of road to cost \$13,703,899 is under contract and construction.

The cost per mile of roads completed was \$5272 and the construction cost of roads under contract will be \$10,900 a mile approximately. The roads completed were built largely with the money allotted under the Morgan-McCullough law, which was displaced by the new law passed by the Legislature in 1921 to carry into effect the \$60,000,000 road program.

The report estimated that the Commission by March 1, 1923 will have under contract \$16,500,000 of roads under the \$60,000,000 program. By June 1, the Commission estimated, it will have 2000 of the approximately 7000 miles of state highways mapped out by the Legislature in 1921 under contract and construction.

"It is to be the policy of the department," said the report, "to do as much grading first as is practical so that the dirt may settle well before surfacing is begun."

Before December 31, this year, the report states, the commission will have \$7,339,865, or all allotments under the Morgan-McCullough law under contract. That will clean up the obligations of the state to the counties under that law.

Having carried out the Morgan-McCullough program the commission is letting contracts for work under the \$60,000,000 bond issue in sixty-four of the 114 counties, according to the report. It is pointed out that this progress has been attained despite the fact that 80 per cent of the surveys under the Morgan-McCullough law had to be abandoned in order to obtain the most economical location and grades for the new highway system.

"The State Highway Department is building Missouri's road system on the best topographical locations and shortest routes possible. New right of way must be obtained in many cases to afford these conditions," he reports.

Missouri has been divided into ten districts for the purpose of administration in handling road construction and a division engineer is in charge of road construction in each group of counties.

Southeast Missouri is in Division No. 10—Butler, Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Dunklin, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Ripley, Scott, Stoddard and Wayne counties; F. B. Newton, engineer; 255 miles under construction, 244 with federal aid at \$4,072,257 and 11 miles with state aid at \$42,941; 132.2 miles completed at a cost of \$1,838,861; 97.7 miles built with federal aid at a cost of \$1,700,920, and 34.5 miles with state aid at \$137,941; 191 additional miles to be awarded by December 31.

Counties north of Cape Girardeau are in Division No. 6, including Jefferson, Franklin, Gasconade, Warren, St. Charles, St. Louis, Crawford, Iron, Washington, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve and Perry counties; S. M. Ruder, engineer; 104 miles under construction or completed at cost of \$2,484,832; 40 miles completed at cost of \$855,122; plans for letting 58.11 additional miles by December 31 have been laid.

Four bridges to be built across the Missouri River at Lexington, Glasgow, Waverly and Booneville, to cost \$2,763,000, are features of the Missouri road program.

Aside from these Missouri river bridges another important span will be built in Gasconade county across the Gasconade river. It will be of steel, 662 feet in length and will have a twenty-foot concrete floor slab. The cost will be approximately \$109,000, of which the federal government will pay half. The contract for construction of this bridge has been awarded to the Wausau Iron Works, Wausau, Wis.

December 30 the State Highway Commission in session at Jefferson City made the final awards on road grading under the McCullough-Morgan law. Other contracts under the sixty million bond issue were let bringing the mileage under this law up to 493 miles at a total cost of nine million dollars. The Highway

Commission and their splendid engineering corps have worked wonders in so short a space of time and it is believed if the legislature will authorize the sale of sufficient bonds, the entire road building plan can be completed within three years. On the 20th of January bids will be opened for the strip of road from Benton to Charleston by the way of Diehlstadt. This road will miss Blodgett by about one mile though a hard road from Blodgett will connect up with this project.

The entire right-of-way for the east and west road has been acquired except that strip through the Robinson Lumber Co. yards paralleling the railroad. Damages were awarded to Paul Buchholz in the amount of \$350 and to Dwight Warren at Miner in the amount of \$200. The land occupied by the Robinson Lumber Co. is owned by the C. D. Matthews estate which estate has given their consent and will donate the right-of-way, but the lumber company has a lease on the ground which has several years yet to run, and as yet they have not given their consent. It will be necessary for this project to have clear title at an early date, else work may be held up indefinitely.

The Southeast Missouri Highway District has been allotted about \$200,000 more Federal Aid than should be given them, hence the necessity of proceeding with all haste with our road projects for fear any delays may make us lose this extra allotment.

From Dexter east nearly every bridge and culvert has been or is now being put in, and when spring opens this entire east and west projection will be pushed to early completion.

Mrs. Balderson of Sikeston, after a week spent in this city, departed Sunday for home. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Mary Roberta Everett.—Charleston Index.

Fred Curtis Allard of Sikeston enrolled this week as a student in the Chillicothe Business College at Chillicothe, choosing the complete course in the Commercial Training Department of that institution.

Women in the Government printing office at Washington performing the operations as men will receive equal pay with men. Increases from 10 to 20 cents an hour will be given 215 women affected by the new order, and decreases in salaries of about 200 men employees will offset this in part.

## LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Judge W. L. Stacy of Sikeston was in our city on business Saturday.

Miss Grace Miller visited her parents at Oak Ridge during the holidays.

Miss Helen Gould Allison spent Christmas with her parents at Potosi. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Waters of Malden are visiting friends in New Madrid.

L. M. Sarff of Bloomfield made a business trip to New Madrid Monday.

Miss Carolyn Austin spent the holidays with relatives at Clarksville, Tenn.

Atty. Valentine Perkins of Lilbourn made a professional visit to our city Tuesday.

A. M. Shaw, Jr. made a business trip to St. Louis the latter part of the week.

J. F. Cox and J. W. Black of Sikeston were in New Madrid on business Saturday.

E. W. Dailey of Bobo, Ind., was in New Madrid Monday looking after land interests.

L. V. Whalen of St. John's Township made a business trip to the county seat Tuesday.

Miss Marguerite Riley left Monday for Columbia to resume her studies at Stephen's College.

Atty. E. F. Sharp and Otto Ankersh of Marston were transacting business in New Madrid Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Miles returned Saturday from Bethany, Mo., where they visited relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Edwards entertained Thursday evening with a Rook party with four tables of guests who were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr.

Rueben C. Harris, brother of S. J. Harris of Gideon, was brought before County Court Monday and adjudged insane and ordered sent to Hospital No. 4. Sheriff Kerr left Tuesday to take Mr. Harris to Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Finch very delightfully entertained a number of their friends last Friday evening, with an elegant six o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for the following couples: Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Ehlers, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Buesching, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stepp, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr., and Mrs. and Mrs. Eudworth of Martin, Tenn. The evening was very pleasantly spent in playing rook.

### Chaffee

Chas. Baronowsky, who is employed at Ste. Genevieve, visited his family here during the holidays.

T. C. Davis returned to his employment at Gideon after spending the holidays with his family here.

Miss Anna Guethley is working at the Frisco office while one of the regular employees was off during illness.

Mrs. G. A. Sample and children returned from an Xmas visit with relatives of Mrs. Sample at Bloomfield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams returned Sunday from a ten-day visit with friends and relatives in Kansas.

A. W. Walling, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Walling, who is employed at Washington, D. C., spent Xmas week with his parents.

We are informed Alvin Klages of Cape Girardeau has accepted employment with the Frisco at Chaffee and will soon move to this city.

Miss Rita Finley has been visiting western cities the past thirty days. She stopped at Denver en route and visited Los Angeles on the western coast.

Dr. W. A. Walling, local dentist, has been appointed by the Veterans' Bureau to take care of dental work approved by this Bureau for ex-soldiers. It is understood he succeeds Dr. Richardson.

Miss Willa Lee Collier surprised her several friends Saturday evening by being married to P. C. Hartman, the High School Principal. It was a private ceremony attended by only the immediate family, with Rev. Hardy officiating. This adventure coming at the time of the Yuletide is rather optimistic and her many friends wish her happiness.

The residence of George McCurdy was totally destroyed by fire Thursday morning about ten o'clock. Mr. McCurdy resided on West Helen and was not at home at the time the conflagration started. With the assistance of the neighbors most of the furniture was carried out. The fire department responded to the call, but the flames had gained considerable headway before they arrived and they were only able to keep the flames in control and prevent spreading to other property.

## MAYBE WE WILL HAVE NEW FRISCO DEPOT

A petition is being circulated in Sikeston that is expected to contain every business man and citizen, asking the Frisco Railroad Co. to give us a passenger station in keeping with our city. Sikeston is one of the best points on the Frisco system between Memphis and St. Louis for both freight and passenger traffic, and has about the poorest accommodations. The city and patronage has long outgrown the old station and our citizens think it is about time for the Frisco to give us a modern convenience for passengers and freight.

J. N. Sheppard was in Fernfeld Tuesday to install officers for the ensuing year for the I. O. O. F. Lodge of that city.

Miss Emma R. Steiner, the only woman opera conductor in the country, is the only living kin of Barbara Fritchie.

Miss Elsie Smart returned Monday from Hazen, Ark., where she had been to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart.

Orville Lemley, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. E. M. Boswell, of Morehouse, spent a few hours in Sikeston Thursday of last week. Orville says his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lemley, former residents of this city, are in the best of health.

Great numbers of families with all their belongings have been on the road during the week moving to new locations. One family stopped in front of The Standard office Monday came below Kennett and was moving to the land of Mrs. Henson at Grays Ridge. He had 8 children in his family, plenty of stock and utensils, but stated he was moving from that section because he could not pay \$20 an acre rent and got out, that the boll weevil had damaged the cotton so that he was compelled to seek another section in which to farm.

**DR. V. D. HUNTER**  
Osteopath  
Citizens Bank Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**DR. H. E. REUBER**  
Osteopathic Physician  
257-258 McCoy Tanner Building  
Telephone 132  
SIKESTON, MO

**DRS. TONELLI & McCLURE**  
Physicians and Surgeons  
Rooms 216-217  
Scott County Milling Co. Bldg.  
Phone 244  
Sikeston, Mo.

**L. B. ADAMS**  
Veterinarian  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: At Residence, 903 N. Kings-highway.  
Office and residence 444.

**HARRY C. BLANTON**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Rooms 210-12  
Scott Co. Milling Co. Bldg.  
Phones: Office 473 Res. 509

**Wm. L. PATTERSON**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office over Schorle Bakery  
Phone 116

**RALPH E. BAILEY**  
Lawyer  
McCoy & Tanner Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**B. F. BLANTON**  
Dentist  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: Dr. Smith's Rooms

**C. W. LIMBAUGH**  
Dentist  
Dr. Harrelson's office  
McCoy-Tanner Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**M. G. GRESHAM**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Citizens Bank Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**W. A. ANTHONY**  
Dentist  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Phone 530  
Office: Scott County Milling Co. Bldg.

**DR. C. T. OLD**  
Veterinary Surgeon  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: J. A. Matthews Wagon Yard.  
Phone 114, Night, 221

**CHIROPRACTIC**  
**LEO H. SCHNURBUSCH**  
Chiropractor  
209-211 Scott County Mfg. Co. Bldg.  
Hours 2-5 & 7-8 p. m.  
Sikeston, Mo.  
YOU CAN GET WELL THRU  
Chiropractic Adjustments

**C. A. WARD**  
Agt. MET. LIFE INS. CO.  
for monthly Income Ins.  
SIKESTON, MO.

## MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF DECEMBER 25th

Nights 7:15 O'clock



Here's to  
**"The PRIDE of PALOMAR"**  
A Cosmopolitan Production

Monday and Tuesday  
Jan. 8 and 9

Special Feature

"The Pride of Palomar"

Peter B. Kyne's great story.  
A Cosmopolitan production.  
Also NEWS and Comedy.

"Take Next Car"

Admission 15c-30c

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10  
HOME TALENT

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11  
GLADYS WALTON in  
"High Heels"

Also NEWS

Admission 10c and 20c

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12  
OWEN MOORE in

"Reported Missing"

The greatest action picture ever made. Comedy, Thrills and Romance. Have you ever laughed yourself tired? The process is good for the liver. Don't fail to see "Reported Missing". Also AESOP FABLES.

Admission 10c and 30c

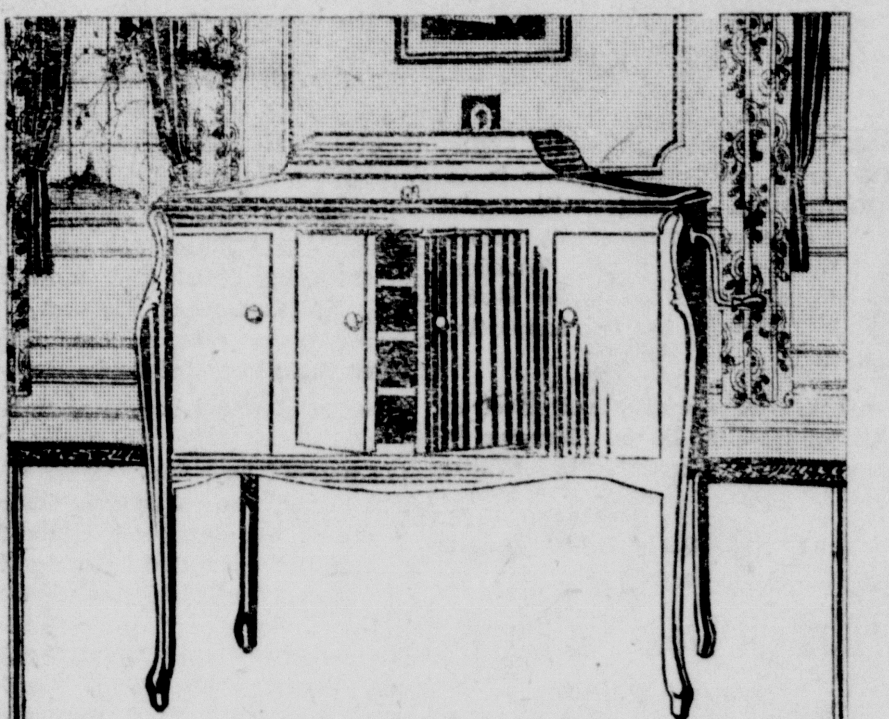
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

Zane Grey's

"Golden Dreams"

with an all star cast. Also Ruth Roland in "TIMBER QUEEN". Episode 15. Admission 10c and 20c. Matinee—2:30 Night—7:15

COMING—MONDAY & TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 and 16  
"CLARENCE"  
with Wallace Reid



Did you get that Victrola?

Why go without, why deny your home the benefit and comfort of good music? For a surprisingly modest sum, you can begin at once to own your own Victrola. Come in today, select any model you want and we will deliver it at once. When it is so convenient to own a Victrola on our plan, you owe it to your family and yourself to get yours NOW. Why delay? Come in.

**DERRIS, DRUGGIST**  
SIKESTON, MO.



The average yield of corn per acre in the United States varies from 14.8 bushels in Florida to 47 bushels in Connecticut, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture. The average for the entire country for the past 10 years is 27.1 bushels per acre.

**F. E. WILSON'S**

# PUBLIC SALE

OF

## 23--Mules and Mares--23

On the Mrs. Lulu Early farm, 8 miles north of New Madrid, 12 miles south of Sikeston on King's Highway, 1 mile east and 4 miles south of Matthews, beginning at 12 o'clock noon

## MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1923

15 head of mules, from 4 to 13 years old and from 15 1-4 to 16 hands high, weight 1050 to 1250 pounds; four of them are plug mules but real workers. 8 good mares, mated in spans, from 5 to 11 years old, all bred to my big Jack, Governor Majors.

I have worked these mules and mares the past season on the farms I am running and know them, and will sell them to you as they are and all will be sold in the gears.

**TERMS ARE CASH.** Mr. Buyer, if you haven't the cash, go to your banker or friend and get it and save from \$25.00 to \$75.00 per span.

I am going to be your neighbor for some time, so everyone come and see my two Jacks and get acquainted with me. These mules and mares can be seen at the farm; you are invited to inspect them at your convenience.

**F. E. WILSON, Owner**

McFord Bros., Auctioneers

Howard Steele, of Matthews Bank, Cashier

For Full Description of Stock See Sale Bill



# HAD CANCER OF BREAST TREATED SEVEN YEARS AGO

Mrs. C. W. Bibens, 1001 College, Nevada, Mo., Says She Owes Her Life to Finding Right Treatment

The remarkable recovery of Mrs. C. W. Bibens, Nevada, Mo., who had a very critical case of Cancer of the breast, indicates that there is a cure for anyone who will take advantage of the right treatment in time. Mrs. Bibens refused to submit to an operation. Instead, she placed her case in the hands of Dr. O. A. Johnson, a Kansas City specialist who has devoted twenty-three years to cancer study and research.

In a recent letter she says: "Seven years ago today I came to you for treatment. Had it not been for you I would not be here today to tell the story. No surgery is used in Dr. Johnson's treatment. Purely medicinal measures are employed; that is, external applications to destroy the cancer and internal medication to purify the blood. The method is very mild and usually gives results in two to six weeks.

A full description of the method is contained in a recent edition of Dr. Johnson's 168-page book, "Cancer Truths", which will be sent free to anyone interested. Simply send your name to Dr. O. A. Johnson, Suite 524, 1324 Main St., Kansas City, Mo., and the book will be mailed, postpaid without obligation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Chaney of Boulder, Colo., returned to their home last Friday after a delightful visit with relatives.

Corn is produced in every State in the Union, production ranging from around 30,000 bushels a year in Nevada to over 450,000,000 bushels in Iowa, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture.

# Malone Theatre Tonight—Friday

Jesse L. Lasky Presents  
**Wallace Reid**  
in  
**"The Dictator"**  
Supported by  
**LILA LEE**



CARAMBRA! what a picture! Fights and thrills and gay romance in a Spanish banana republic—with a wild young American and a pretty senorita the center of it all. Theodore Kosloff, Walter Long, Kalla Pasha, and Alan Hale in the fine supporting cast.

From the famous play and novel by Richard Harding Davis. Director by James Cruze. Scenario by Walter Woods.

Also AL ST. JOHN in his famous Comedy

**"Straight from the Farm"**  
Aesop's Fables

Admission 10c and 30c

# MORGENTHAU WOULD GIVE RUSSIA CONSTANTINOPLE

New York, December 30.—The cessation of Constantinople to Russia, as the best way of settling the Turkish problem, was suggested today by Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey. Morgenthau took the view that Russia was certain to obtain Constantinople eventually and that to give the city to her now would prevent the further massacre of non-Mohammedan Turkish subjects, destroy a probable cause of future war and make impossible any military combination between Russia, Turkey and Germany. In return for the opportunity to consummate her age long ambition for a warm water port, which he termed a necessity, Morgenthau said Russia would undoubtedly be willing to guarantee the freedom of the straits and an open door to the commerce of other nations.

Pointing out that popular sentiment in Great Britain would not permit that country to go to war against the Turks, Morgenthau said that Russia would be able to supply the force necessary to expel the Turks from Europe. He added that Great Britain would lose less prestige by coming to an understanding with Russia than by yielding to the demands of the Turks and said that that the trade with 150,000,000 Russians was of infinitely greater value to the British than the trade of 6,000,000 Turks and the Mosul oil fields, possession of which is now a point of controversy at the Lausanne conference.

# U. S. DEEPLY CONCERNED IN EUROPEAN SITUATION

Washington, December 27.—In debate in the Senate today on his proposal for a world economic and disarmament conference, Senator Borah of Idaho declared that Europe's economic situation presented questions of direct interest to the United States. "It has reached the point", he said, "when we are as deeply concerned and affected as any European power. It can no longer be said we are dealing exclusively in European question".

The Idaho Senator also predicted that if present conditions continue another year, a war involving the great Powers of Europe will result and that the United States could not remain out of such a conflict. The unsettled reparations questions, he said, were fundamental and were causing European nations to increase their armaments, a condition affecting everyday American life.

"The question is", said Senator Borah, "whether we are going to deal in these conditions now, or disregard them until they force us to take action, possibly in a definite way".

America, Senator Borah said, was being drawn further into European affairs, and now was deeper than when President Harding was inaugurated. In moral and technical effect, Senator Borah said, the United States was "assisting in administering the Versailles treaty".

Miss Addie Dover, who has been the guest of the H. W. Baker, Jr., family of Memphis, Tenn., returned to Sikeston Monday night.

Flaxseed is produced chiefly in the North Central States, the most important being North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Out of the recent market-topping patrons of the Omaha stockyards was a 14-year-old boy, Albert Shallow, of Adair, Iowa, who had learned methods of feeding and care of baby beef in the calf club conducted by agricultural-extension workers of Guthrie County, Iowa. According to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, Albert's consignment was an Angus heifer weighing 850 pounds, which sold at the top of the day's market on yearlings, \$10.25.

# Poland China Dispersion Sale

Tuesday, February 27, 1923

# At McCord Bros. Sales Barn SIKESTON, MISSOURI

The Elm Grove Herd of Poland China hogs will be sold at public auction for cash at above date and place.

The offering consists of 15 tried sows, 20 spring gilts, 25 summer and fall gilts and 3 boars.

These sows are from the best blood lines obtainable in the country while the gilts are the offsprings of the sows and sired by Col. Pickett, Julius Caesar and The Son of Pan. The boars to be sold are Julius Caesar, The Son of Pan and a young boar out of a Yankee sow and by The Son of Pan.

This sale is made necessary because Milton and Ben Blanton are still in school and a shortage of feed and finances call for it. The boys will continue with their farm and retain their plant with six sows and gilts and one boar and hope to come again at some future date.

This is going to be a real offering and a description of animals will be printed later.

# C. L. BLANTON & SONS

## To Our Friends

At this time of the year we come to a realization that there are lots of good folks in the world. We reflect over the days that have passed and look to the coming year, and we come to find out that even business itself is better for us all when it has a foundation of friendliness—when we can count up such a long list of "good folks" with whom we have dealt. They have helped us and we have tried to help them. Taking it all in all, our business friends have contributed a very great deal to the happiness we have had.

Confidence is the foundation of business and friendliness plays its important part in it. We may not know all these friends personally. We may only vision them through the letters they write us, or through hearing their voices over the phone—but they are just as real and just as close to us as the other friends who help us to enjoy life outside of business hours.

Every good business concern takes stock at the end of the year. One important item that should be included in the inventory is friendship. Business intercourse develops friendships that are dependable to the last degree. And business friendships are mutual—they are on a "give and take" basis. The real satisfaction and happiness of our daily work, the finest assets we have—assets which no one could represent by figures—these are the mutual confidence and friendship developed through the way we work for and serve each other.

These friends in business are the "good folks"—the folks who understand who encourage, who help. To you, as one of the "good folks", we extend our greetings and our sincere wish that the New Year may bring you increasing success and its full quota of happiness.—The editor.

Mrs. Adney and little son of Oklahoma City, Okla., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Phil Gervig, returned to their home, Wednesday night.

Thirty-six pure-bred rams in a county where only one was owned seven years ago, when the agricultural-extension agent first began his work there, is reported to the United States Department of Agriculture as the record in Humphreys County, Tenn. Twenty farmers in the county bought pure-bred rams this season.

## "THE PRIDE OF PALOMAR" BASED ON KYNE'S NOVEL

Admirers of Peter B. Kyne's stirring novels, several of which already have reached the screen, will have an opportunity to see the picturization of his latest novel, "The Pride of Palomar", which now ranks among the best sellers of the current book season. The story was printed serially in Cosmopolitan magazine and it scored tremendously. Now that the book has appeared, its popularity shows no sign of waning.

Admirably suited to adaptation to the screen, Cosmopolitan Productions purchased the novel for Paramount release in California, on the precise spots where the action of the story takes place. Many of the scenes were photographed at the old mission where "Ramona" was born. Interesting scenes in the garden of San Luis Rey Mission in Southern California are a feature of the picture.

Director Frank Borzage took his entire company to the Mission and surrounding country for the scenes of the picture. Mr. Kyne, the author, had laid out the locations, and all the producer had to do was to follow in his footsteps. In the book Mr. Kyne took a slam at coolie labor in California, and while most of the Japanese in Southern California are ignorant of the English language they are wise to the fact that the coolies had been attacked in the story and they wouldn't do a lick of work for the picture.

"We gave an order to a Japanese nurseman for a lot of potted plants", said Mr. Borzage, "but after working on the job for five days he found out that they were for 'The Pride of Palomar' and struck work. In the same way you couldn't get a 'prop' in a picture if you mentioned 'The Pride of Palomar'. However, we got along very well".

The story of "The Pride of Palomar", which will be on view at the Malone Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, revolves about a Californian who returns home from service abroad to find his father dead and his big ranch in the hands of hostile interlopers. He loves the daughter of the man who is fighting him for the possession of the ranch and when he discovers that she has secretly aided him, he resolves to go it alone even though he must sacrifice his love. How he wins his battle is splendidly told.

Marjorie Daw and Forest Stanley

are the featured players of an all-star cast which includes Joseph Dowling, James Barrow, Warner Oland and other notable players.

## Working Classes and War

Recent events in Australia and New Zealand suggest that there, at least, it is going to be difficult to drum up enthusiasm for another war among the working classes—that is, the persons who have to do the fighting. Hard on labor's repudiation in Australia of Premier Hughes' jaunty gesture in offering troops to Great Britain with which to fight the Turks, and upon an election campaign which seems destined to retire him to private life, comes an expression of similar sentiment from New Zealand. There the Labor Party has issued a manifesto against Premier Massey because he promised a contingent of soldiers in the event of war in the Near East, condemning him for pledging the country "to a war without consultation of Parliament and behind the backs of the people who would have to do the paying and dying". Of course, organized labor is only a minority, but its attitude now is in marked contrast to that when it was pouring its life-blood into Gallipoli. Prime Ministers should be more cautious in promising other people's lives. Otherwise they may have thrown up to them the query of the small boy whose mother told him she was about to marry a certain Dr. Brown. The boy looked up eagerly: "Does Dr. Brown know it, mother?"—The Nation.

Buddie Matthews left for Upper Alton Tuesday, to attend Western Military Academy.

Carl Freeman left Tuesday night for Chillicothe, where he will enter the Chillicothe Business College.

Carson Wilkey left for Cambridge, Mass., Tuesday night to attend school at Harvard, after spending the holidays with homefolks.

The era of free first-class land in the United States has passed, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Nearly half the area of continental United States is not in farms. Of this area, 40,000,000 acres are absolute desert or too rugged to cultivate, 270,000,000 acres are occupied by forests and cut-over land, and 600,000,000 acres are in the semi-arid West and suitable only for grazing.

# NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

## Annual Meeting of Farm Loan Association

The annual meeting of the New Madrid County National Farm Loan Association will be held on Tuesday, January 9th, beginning at 9:30 A. M. in the Farm Bureau office.

A Board of Directors will be elected at this meeting and officers for the coming year. The policies of the Farm Loan Ass'n for next year, will be decided and the disposition of dividends. Every stock holder in the Farm Loan Ass'n who is eligible to vote should attend this meeting.

## Cotton Marketing Organization Committee Meeting

The organization committee, which is composed of three members from each cotton growing county, will meet at Sikeston, January 11th. This meeting was to be held on January 9th, but is moved forward to January 11 in order that the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Exchange, can meet with the committee.

The purpose of this committee is to lay the organization plans for a cotton marketing association for Missouri.

## Annual Meeting of New Madrid County Farm Bureau

The annual meeting of the New Madrid County Farm Bureau will be held, Friday or Saturday of next week which is the 12th and 13th.

The Executive Committee and officers for the ensuing year, will be elected, also the delegates to the Annual State Federation will be elected. Every Farm Bureau member should attend this meeting to outline the program of work for 1923.

An effort is being made by the Executive Committee of the Farm Bureau to secure the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Exchange to address the annual meeting on the subject of cotton marketing.

Work on the biology of clothes moth as affecting the brush and fabric industries has been one branch of the investigations of the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. Valuable information has been obtained. An additional service in this field has been the co-operation with the Army and Navy by furnishing information regarding the susceptibility of various fabrics to moth attack.

Arrangements for the interchange of crop reports on cotton and wheat in the United States and Egypt is announced by the United States Department of Agriculture. As rapidly as crop reports on acreage and forecasts are available in each country the news will be dispatched at once by cable or radio to the other country.

Immediately on receipt of the Egyptian news, the reports will be broadcast throughout the United States by telegraph and radio. The new plan is expected to cut to a minimum the time formerly consumed in placing important crop news in the hands of American farmers.

# NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

S. S. Colvin and wife of New Madrid County to C. E. Spitzer of Dunklin County an undivided 1/2 int. in and to the following 14 acres of land lying just west of the city limits of New Madrid known as the Hutton place. Also 5.84 acres in the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 sec. 34 twp. 23 range 14. For a particular description see 79, page 97. \$1 and other consideration.

Harry L. Hartly and wife of Stoddard County to J. W. French et al 207 acres in section 24, twp. 21, range 10. \$20,182.50.

W. N. O'Bannon and wife to Cage and Susie Byrd all of New Madrid. Lot 9, blk. 1 in John E. Poell's 4th addition to the city of New Madrid. \$200.

Samuel Yates to Trustees of the Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church city of New Madrid. Lot 4 block H Latham's addition to the city of New Madrid. \$150.

Mrs. Isabell T. Brown of Detroit, Michigan to B. F. Hawkins of New Madrid County: Lots 18 and 19 in the city of Lilbourn and all of lots 17 and 20 in the city of Lilbourn. All of the above described lots being in range F in the city of Lilbourn. \$1060.

D. A. Mcabee and wife of the county of New Madrid to Mrs. Clara Cozean of New Madrid County. All of lot 1 and the adjoining 1/2 of lot 2 in block 47 of the city of Morehouse. \$650.

Wm. B. Passmore and wife of Reister, Ark. to A. M. Alley of New Madrid county. A parcel of ground adjoining on the north line of block 4 of H. L. Shidler's 1st add. to the town of Lotta now the city of Parma. \$500.

## Marriage License

Arthur Randolph of Pt. Pleasant to Almedia Chack of Portageville.

Ernest G. Stephen of Como to Nellie Parrie Sanders of Como.

W. A. Peppers and Nora Kirk both of Pt. Pleasant.

John Montgomery and Baulah Tamm, both of Portageville.

Roy S. Bush of Morehouse and Charlotte N. Miller of Chaffee.

Dr. Eldon L. Loper of St. Louis to Ruth Jones of Parma.

Fully 10,000 acres in Hawaii were planted in 1922 to pigeon peas, a forage and green-manure crop introduced some years ago by the Federal experiment station at Honolulu, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Sixteen years ago the first negro agricultural demonstration was employed to carry on extension work among negro farmers. According to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture there are now 285 negro men and women agents, under whose direction more than 14,000 negro farmers and their families are following approved practices in farming and home making.

# Ah, How Juicy. Tender!

THAT'S the expression that usually accompanies the first forkful of meat purchased from our shop. Not only is it palatable, but contains all of the nourishment that nature put into it. Our meats are purchased daily, giving you an assurance of its high quality. The economical housewife makes ours her Meat headquarters.

# Sellards Meat Market

PHONE 48

# BASKETBALL!

Teachers College H. S. vs. Sikeston H. S. Boys  
Friday Evening, January 5th, 1923

Next Week; Thurs. 11th—Cairo Boys—Chaffee Girls

# Scott County Abstract Co. BENTON - MISSOURI

Compiles Abstracts of Title to Lands and Town Lots in This County

W. H. STUBBLEFIELD, President  
H. D. RODGERS, Vice President  
HAROLD STUBBLEFIELD, Secretary-Treasurer  
Farm loans, long time, low interest rate. Correspondence invited.



## THE WOMAN'S CLUB GIVES A RECEPTION

The Woman's Club of Sikeston had open house at the Hotel Marshall Tuesday evening and had invited their husbands, the Lions and their wives, members of the Chamber of Commerce and wives, and the teachers in the schools to be their guests. One hundred and sixty responses were received and lunch prepared for that many, but plates were only served to 110 who were present.

The president of the Club, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, announced the numbers and introduced the speaker of the evening, Prof. Vaughn of the Cape Girardeau Teachers College, "America" and "My Old Kentucky Home" were sung by those who could make any sort of noise, after which Mrs. Helen Welsh gave a delightful violin solo accompanied by Mrs. H. J. Welsh on the piano. Then came Miss Honora Bailey, she of the beautiful voice, who so pleased her audience that she gave an encore.

The speaker of the evening had for his subject "Law Enforcement" or "Democratic America" which gave food for thought to those present. He warned his hearers to beware of the different groups who were endeavoring to control the country, such as capital, labor unions, the Ku Klux Klan and like groups. He did not attempt to criticize any group, but sought to point out what might happen to the country if any one group was in control. He believed the salvation of any democracy was in the observance of the laws of the land, and not the laws taken in hand by any group for a selfish interest. He said each of these groups believed they were right and if they were in control and their ideas put in effect our Democratic Government might be in peril.

Everyone present gave him marked attention and the seeds of remarks planted in the minds of the teachers present may sprout into golden fruits to be implanted in the minds of the children in their charge.

The refreshments consisting of oyster patties, bread and butter sandwiches, olives, orange ice, minis and coffee. Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., was hostess and ably assisted by a number of willing workers. It was a most enjoyable occasion.

## FOUR LAND DEALS MADE IN ONE DAY

Salesmen for the Himmelberger-Hamilton Land & Investment Company, who have joined forces with the A. J. Matthews & Co., Inc., turned in four sales contracts to the Cape Girardeau office of the company, Friday, December 29th, making the officers feel like old hands to have business coming in that way again. The sales were all made to Southeast Missouri people, many of whom are taking advantage of the terms offered to acquire homes for themselves. The company is now selling improved land at reasonable prices, in tracts of 20 acres and up, 20% cash and the balance like rent, and put-over land 10% cash, balance 10 years after date with no interest the first two years if certain improvements are made. Every man owes it to himself, his family, and his future to acquire a home of his own. He will be happier and more contented on 20 or 40 acres of his own than on a half section of the other fellows. Those who are interested should write the Himmelberger-Hamilton Land & Investment Company at once as this opportunity will not last forever.—Adv.

On another page of The Standard will be found an article from the typewriter of Judge Frank Kelly criticizing the editor of The Standard and other newspaper editors for printing paragraphs and articles on the Eighteenth Amendment. Speaking for ourselves we have never printed anything of the sort that we did not believe to be so, or looked that way to us. Most people obey the laws of the land because they try to be and are law abiding citizens, others thru fear of the law, and some just as leave be in jail as out. We hesitate to say anything as to reasons for the disrespect of the Eighteenth Amendment but will say that the nominal fines and lenient manner in which some judges have handled these cases have invited bootlegging by a low-down class of people as the easiest way to make a living.

## DR. MAYFIELD TO ERECT BUILDING

Plans to erect a new and commodious brick building on the Mayfield lot south of the Iron Mountain will probably be approved in the next few days and work begin immediately thereafter.

The building will be erected for and leased to the Highway Engineers of this Road District and the lease will be for a term of 5 or 10 years. The plans call for 5 rooms on the ground floor in the front half of the building with a garage in rear part of building 40x60 feet sufficient to house cars and trucks used on the road work. The building to be steam heated, lighted, with toilets, bath and water.

This site was selected as being nearest to the north and south, and east and west highway crossings and most suitable for the purpose required. After the lease to the Highway Engineers expires the building will probably be leased to the Highway Maintenance Department who will be required to have force and equipment handy for both roads.

The Sikeston Tile & Construction Co. have already prepared the plans and specifications and submitted them to Jefferson City.

## "THE DICTATOR" IS REAL DRAMA

The internal disturbances of certain romantic and ebullient South American republics, which have for years furnished the American press and humorous writers with material for exciting dispatches or clever, humorous discussions, were placed in the hall of fame by the plays of the late Richard Harding Davis, who was virtually their literary spokesman.

"The Dictator", which comes to the Malone Theatre tonight, (Friday), as a Paramount offering with Wallace Reid in the star role, is one of this type by this author. It is the play which Willie Collier made famous on the stage and one in which Mr. Davis paints an exciting picture of volcanic life in the Latin-American continent.

Walter Woods, an experienced scenarist, translated the play to screen terms, which meant modifying it somewhat, bringing certain incidents down to date and generally applying the modern brush to the canvas, which is, however, still fresh and alluring.

Lila Lee, leading woman, has the role of Juarez, dainty daughter of Dr. Rivas, a self-styled "liberator", played by Theodore Kosloff. Mr. Reid, as Brooke Travers, falls in love with her and then trouble begins. From Los Angeles the scene shifts to a tiny Latin-American republic where a bitter war between rebels and regulars is waged. James Cruise, a veteran Paramount director, handled the megaphone.

Rev. Clarence Burton, pastor of the Methodist Church at Dexter, was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday.

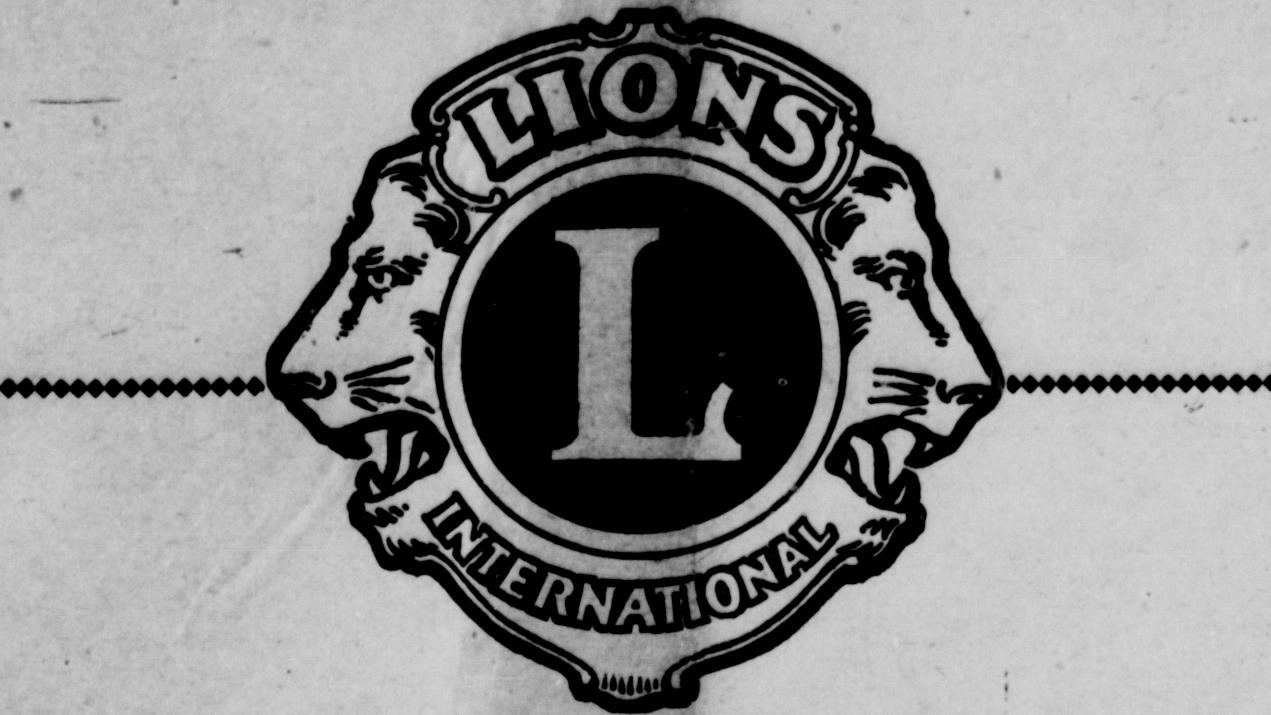
Miss Bess Conrad has returned to St. Louis where she is employed as a bookkeeper, after spending the holidays in Sikeston with her mother.

The Co-Workers will meet at the home of J. W. Black Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. Black and Mrs. H. J. Welsh as hostesses. All members are requested to be present.

Col. R. L. Harriman of Buncheon, Cooper County, was in Sikeston Tuesday on his way to Clarkston to cry the Dunn Poland China sale held there Wednesday. While here he paid The Standard a pleasant visit.

The Standard regrets exceedingly to hear that Rev. J. B. Lockhart, formerly pastor of the Christian Church in Sikeston, is seriously ill at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, with paralysis, being unable to speak.

The editor of The Standard was shown through the local telephone office Saturday morning by the local manager, L. D. Randol. The new switchboard and electrical outfit recently installed by the Western Electric Co. is one of the most complete to be found anywhere. A small device about the size of a dinner plate was a remarkable thing in that it broke in the line could be detected within a few inches. At this time 21 people are on the payroll and so far as we know there has been no complaints on the service rendered for many months. Here's hoping that every one of the girls on the keyboard may draw a good husband during the coming year who has a good meal ticket.



## The Lions Club of Sikeston —PRESENTS—

### An All-Star Aggregation of Vaudeville Headliners

## Malone Theatre, Wednesday, Jan. 10 8:00 P. M.

10 Big Numbers Every One a Feature 10 Big Numbers

PHIL BAXTER (nufsd)  
in "Some of His Own"

That Baffling Mystery  
Sawing a Woman in Half

STUBBS BROTHERS  
All Five of "Em"  
Fifteen Minutes of Harmony

H. CLAY STUBBS & DAZZLING  
CHORUS  
Songs on today

A. RAY SMITH  
Himself  
ventriloquism up-to-now

CHARLES LEE BLANTON  
Aesthetic Dances

JUBE BARRETT & COMPANY  
in "A Damn Lie"

WILLIAM H. SIKES  
That Sweet Southern Minstrel

JULIAN REDTINGE  
Impersonator Supreme

LIVING PICTURES  
Reproduction in life of Masterpieces  
of Art.

### Seats On Sale Saturday at Dudley's Place Make Reservations Early, 75c-50c, and War Tax. Don't Miss This

Walker Taylor, who was recently severely cut by Ras Bowers, is able to be out again. Bowers is out on a \$500 bond.

Mrs. G. B. Greer and Mrs. Frank Van Horn will entertain the Sikeston D. A. R. Chapter at the home of Mrs. Van Horn Saturday afternoon, January 6.

G. W. Howell of Ward, Ark., remembered The Standard with a Christmas gift. It was a check paying his subscription to January 1, 1923. He reports both he and Mrs. Howell as being well and wishing to be remembered to friends and acquaintances.

A nice Christmas dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Kiser. Those present at the dinner were: Arnie Atherton and family, W. B. Atherton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Satterfield and baby, of Cairo; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witt, M. D. Atherton and wife of Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Davis and children, Miss Thelma Atherton and B. L. Kiser.

A. W. Graham, former State Highway Engineer, is being favorably mentioned as a member of the New Water Commission to be named by Mayor Frank Cromwell, of Kansas City. Mr. Graham is being urged for the place because of his experience in the engineer profession and is considered as one of the best men available for the place. Mr. Graham's many friends here are hopeful that he may be selected since he would be a very efficient man for the place.—Missouri State Journal.

Miss Dorothy Alexander came over from Charleston Tuesday morning for a short visit with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Matthews.

X. Schneider has opened a hamburger stand on Front Street and N. I. Kirby has put up a larger eating place next door to Ed Wilson's restaurant.

Ray Hughes of Dongola, Ill., visited with his uncle, W. R. Hughes, in this city the latter part of the week. Mr. Hughes is a school teacher and one of the brightest young men we have met in many a day.

One of the employees of the construction company who is putting in the bridges on the east and west road, put all his tools in a chest at Brown Spur a few days ago, locked the heavy Yale lock and left the chest to be hauled to another place. Next morning the chest containing the tools and weighing about 300 pounds had been stolen. If the stealer will apply at the Commercial Hotel and prove that he is the right party, both keys to the lock will be turned over to him.

## FOR SALE

Seventeen (17) shares Semo Development Oil Stock. A barnain; desire to close a bankrupt estate. Inquire of

H. C. BLANTON  
SIKESTON, MO.

Judge Jas. A. Finch of New Madrid and Jefferson City was in Sikeston Tuesday morning.

An anonymous note to the editor asks why we jump on the poor bootlegger when white mule parties are held in some of the best homes in Sikeston. Silence on the part of the editor.

Hodge Decker, Jr., 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hodge Decker, has not been very robust for some months threatened with appendicitis. After this school term is over his parents expect to have an operation performed and when sufficiently recovered, he will be taken to the hills of Kentucky where he will live on 'possum meat, corn bread and branch water, in the hopes he will gain strength enough to whip his teacher if she needs it.

Two ladies of Sikeston were out shopping just before Christmas when one of them had 75 cents taken from her purse while the other lost her watch. When the loss was discovered they returned to the only place of business that they had entered and told of their troubles. A lad in his early teens who has been guilty of pilfering before and who was present when the ladies were in the business place, was closely questioned, but denied all knowledge of the theft. The police chief was called in and then the lad weakened. The watch was found hid in the leg of his trousers and the 75c in his pocket. His splendid family keeps his name out of print this time. A cigarette smoking loafing lad is generally headed the wrong direction.

## BOY LOSES HAND IN CORN CRUSHER

One of the most distressing accidents that has occurred in the community for years was that which befell the 6-year-old son of Chas. Heiser, living near Brown Spur, Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

In some manner while playing around a corn crusher in operation his left hand was caught in the machinery and in a flash the member was torn completely off. He was hurried to Sikeston for medical attention and Dr. Mayfield, Rods and Malcolm amputated the arm above the break.

The lad stood the ordeal like a hero and if no complications set up, will soon be about.

## \$375,000 IS PAID FOR BROWN LAND

Five thousand acres of land in Mississippi county, a part of the bankrupt estate of E. Lindsay Brown, big landowner there, has been sold for prices ranging from \$70 to \$80 per acre, according to reports filed with Referee H. E. Alexander here. Total price paid for the land is nearly \$375,000.

Most of the land was sold to farmers of Mississippi county, who will add the parcels to their holdings. Only a small part of the entire acreage was sold to outside investors. It was reported that much of the land will be taken back by Brown and operated by him, following his discharge from bankruptcy.

Brown's case will be closed out of the referee's court at the next term of Federal court in April. Involuntary proceedings were filed against Brown in December, 1921. He was adjudicated a bankrupt in February, after Federal Judge Faris upheld the involuntary proceedings.—Cape Missourian.

H. C. Blanton, attorney, attended to legal business in Dexter Tuesday.

The protests of a large element of decent movie patrons in the United States against the return of Brute Arbutk on the screen means the loss of money to any house that uses his films.

The editor was among the many who welcomed the new county officers at Benton Monday and wished the out going officers health and success. The retiring officers have been competent and courteous while in office and are leaving with the good will of all.

The Chase Hotel at St. Louis was raided by Nations' Dry Squad Sunday night and 2,600 guests insulted and embarrassed. One-half pint of gin was found on one man, according to newspaper reports. This sort of performances is what makes law breakers of good people, or we think so.

Bill Keller was in Saturday and set his paper ahead for another year. He is expecting to put out a fair acreage of cotton the coming season and has two negro families on his farm who have already broken most of their land. Bill gives due credit for his success on the farm to the splendid co-operation of his wife and level headed advice of his Dad.

H. J. Welsh reports the following deaths for November and December, 1922: Louis Pfefferkorn, Nov. 6; Dr. T. V. Miller, November 7; Rube Judge, November 12; Mary Royal, November 12; R. C. Brown, November 13; Elizabeth Way, November 22; Mildred Boswell, December 5; G. C. Vaughn, December 5; Rowena Hay Royce, December 7; Geraldine Darr, December 7; Joe McGinnis, December 12; Frank Kizer, December 16; Helen Master-son, December 16; Lonnie Martin, December 22; Opal Dowdy, December 23; Mildred Taylor, December 30; E. M. Ewing, Jr., December 30.

Steve Riddle, who is occupying space in the bastille, is getting a much needed rest these days. He has many callers who seem to be solicitous of his welfare, but have done nothing to help him. We, as a law-abiding citizen, are solicitous about him, too, as well as his likes, and are anxious to help him the community of them. We are anxious to see this sort of law violators repairing the roads of the county and giving some real service to the community in which they live. We believe a minimum of six months on the road and no fine would take much of the sport out of bootlegging. Sikeston, like other towns, has a number of able bodied men who have no visible means of support, but seem to be in a prosperous way.

## MOCABEE RECEIVES FEDERAL APPOINTMENT

James Mocabee of Sikeston has received, from the Federal Farm Loan Board, an appointment as Government Appraiser and has been assigned to the Kansas City Joint Land Bank. He will be stationed at Sikeston for the present but is liable to be sent to other states on short notice.

This appointment carries a very satisfactory salary and the work is very agreeable. The friends of Mr. Mocabee are glad that he received the appointment.

## 1500 MISSOURI VETERANS AFFECTED BY PENSION BILL

Washington, January 1.—Pensions of \$75 a month await about 1500 civil war veterans who served in the Missouri enrolled militia, if President Harding signs the Bursum bill.

The President was expected to sign the bill today, but if he did, the fact could not be learned tonight.

The bill, sponsored by Senator Bursum of New Mexico, contains a clause, inserted largely through the efforts of Senator Spencer of Missouri, giving the members of the enrolled militia pensionable status. This point has been fought for over thirty years by Missouri Congressmen and Senators. Missouri has more men entitled to the pension than any other state. Kentucky has 300 to 400, Pennsylvania about 100 and Indiana and Ohio a few each.

Mrs. Emory Matthews spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Charleston.

The Paramount Picture Convention will hold their next meeting in Kansas City in May of the present year.

The Stark Bros. Nursery of Jamaica, Mo., have issued a very some seed catalogue for the spring of 1923.

Ross Bros., Schade and Co. of Cape County will hold a sale of land China hogs at Jackson January 5.

Visitors to the grounds will be able to set a trap on the ground. The strip of ground at the west end, containing several acres, will be planted to cotton by Charlie Clark, the custodian of the grounds, and will be an attraction to many of the visitors.

Miss Jack Albrite delightfully entertained with a six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. R. T. Wainman. Covers were laid for Misses Virginia Matthews, Dorothy Miller, Helen Welsh, Mary Blanton, Catherine Blanton, Marian Decker, Bonnie Keith, Irene Cox, Lillian Kendall and Jack Albrite.

Fred Sheldy informs us that sixty days ago he let W. L. Keene and J. R. Brown turn 183 head of hogs into his 63 acre corn field with the understanding that they were to pay him 6 cents per pound for which each hog gained. When 28 acres had been grazed the hogs were weighed and it was discovered his field had so far netted him \$15 per acre. The last 43 acres netted him \$23 per acre or a total of \$888 per acre.—Centralia Courier.

Rev. S. P. Brite and wife were completely surprised on New Year's evening, when many of their friends and members of the church walked in at the front door crowding the house and armed with bundles of various sizes and kinds, and their countenances beaming with good cheer and thought of Happy New Year. They took complete possession of the parsonage for the time being. The evening was spent in mutual good fellowship and interesting entertainment till the ladies served a light lunch, after which the people returned to their homes with pleasant memories and many good wishes for a successful year in all departments of Church activities.

The Elm Grove Farm will hold a dispersion sale of their herd of Poland Chinas at the McCord barn in Sikeston, Tuesday, February 27. The offering will consist of 15 head of as good brood sows as can be found in Southeast Missouri, 20 spring gilts, 25 summer gilts, 2 herd boars, Julius Caesar and The Son of Pan. Milton and Ben Blanton will continue their farm operations and retain half a dozen sows and gilts and their plant, but will not attempt further public sales until financial conditions improve and they are out of school. The editor of The Standard has neither the time nor money to stand by the venture, hence the sale. Everything has been double treated for cholera and all in fine condition.



**SIKESTON STANDARD**

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI.Entered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.THE STANDARD is the only paper  
in Scott County that is published  
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-  
ers wanting the news while it is  
News, and for advertisers desiring  
quick results, it is the best medium.

Display advertising, per single column inch, net .....	25c
Leading notices, per line .....	10c
Financial Statements for banks .....	\$6.00
Probate notices, minimum .....	\$5.00
Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott and adjoining counties .....	\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the United States .....	\$2.50

Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**We are authorized to announce  
Ralph McCullough of Morley for  
Superintendent of Schools of Scott  
County, subject to the will of the vot-  
ers at the April, 1923, election.We are authorized to announce Jno.  
I. Goodin of Benton for Superintend-  
ent of Schools of Scott County, sub-  
ject to the will of the voters at the  
April, 1923, election.**FROM JUDGE KELLY**

Editor of Standard:

I feel sure I can write you my  
thoughts for your consideration with-  
out giving offense to you, and am  
venturing to do so on an article print-  
ed in your paper last week. You said:The Standard has no intention  
of arguing the question as to  
whether the country is growing  
worse or better, but can plainly  
see that the eighteenth amend-  
ment has made thousands upon  
thousands of law breakers, and  
thousands more who have no re-  
spect for that law and growing  
less respectful of other laws.Your paper is not the only one  
that is continually giving public ex-  
posure to such statements. Now I  
feel that all facts ought to be  
faced, whether in the body  
of the law or ones private life,  
as religion for that matter. You  
say a fact that the eighteenth  
amendment "has made thousands up-  
on thousands of law breakers". Now  
you will further state as a  
fact that the past few  
days and who plead guilty to violating  
the regulations of the liquor business  
were made "law breakers" by this  
law because they violated it. I claim  
it does not follow at all that because  
these men violated the law that this  
law made them law breakers. They  
were ready, capable and willing to  
break any similar law for the same  
reasons this one was violated before  
this law was ever heard of, and I  
deny that the law made them law  
breakers, but when they were asked  
to comply with this law their true  
selves were revealed in the lack of  
fear or wholesome respect for law  
and they correctly and truly expres-  
sed themselves with their attitude for  
law in the disregard and violation of  
this one in particular. This particu-  
lar law has been written about more,  
spoken about more, and in many cases  
a deliberate and calculated attempt to  
create sentiment against it by attri-  
bute all violations of law to this  
law, and that is the position you  
take with respect to its creating dis-  
respect for other laws. One would be  
led to believe that before this law  
went into effect that there was a  
wholesome respect and observance of  
all law, and with its coming respect  
for law ceased. Is this true, or in  
any appreciable extent true? When  
did the same type of citizen ever re-  
spect the law against carry concealed  
weapons? As a boy I worked on a  
public works, and boarded in a large  
boarding house, and I used to see  
some of the men "dressing up" to at-  
tend a dance of the neighborhood, and  
I have seen as many as four to five  
prepare themselves, and the last ar-  
ticle to be provided was a pistol, and  
if one did not own one of his own, it  
had to be borrowed. I sat on the  
bench in one of the neighboring coun-  
ties when circuit judge of that coun-  
ty and appointed an attorney to de-  
fend a negro for carrying a concealed  
weapon, a pistol. The evidence was  
clear, as the negro had been arrested  
with it on his person. This attorney  
was willing to plead guilty for the  
client if I would not send him to the  
penitentiary, and when I would not  
promise, he stood trial. In talking the  
case over with me this lawyer said:  
"Judge, I do not care for the negro,  
but I just hate to see him sent to the  
penitentiary for something everyone  
does. Hell, we all carry them". And  
I am satisfied he was right in what  
he said, that in a general sense "all"  
carried them.I need not go back as far as my  
boyhood days to recall other instances  
of disrespect for law, but will go backonly to 1898 in Scott County. I ran  
for prosecuting attorney that year and  
attended, I believe I am safe in saying,  
fifteen to twenty country barbecues  
throughout the county, and I doubt  
whether there was one at which did  
not appear one of two men whose  
business was to run an operate open-  
ly and above board gambling ma-  
chines which were a felony then and  
now to set up and run and around  
them gathered every type nearly of  
citizen violating the law in betting on  
them. I see about the same today at  
every county fair, although the money  
feature has been made a little less  
prominent.Gambling has existed ever since I  
can remember, in various forms,  
among various classes of citizens, in  
various places, some secretly, and  
some openly, some opposed by officers,  
and some connived at by them. Now,  
I believe, there is less of it than be-  
fore, though I have not a doubt there  
is plenty going on at the present.Do you know, Mr. Editor, that the  
gambling privilege formerly were  
auctioned off to the highest bidder for  
the right to run them on the grounds  
at our county fairs? It is not en-  
tirely suppressed yet either. And this  
was by the directors of the fairs,  
men prominent in business life, so-  
cial life, yes, church life, too.They did not respect much the law  
that prevented a large income to the  
coffers of the treasurer, and that is  
exactly the class of mind possessed  
by the ordinary bootlegger who does  
not respect a law which he can make  
money easily by violating. But he  
has not regressed any. He is just  
naturally expressing himself as he al-  
ways has been. His true self is being  
shown a little more.Did you ever hear of the statutes  
against lottery, raffles, and chance  
being violated? Did you ever hear  
much respect for the law against  
playing cards on Sunday, hunting on  
Sunday, betting on elections, killing  
game and serving it out of season,  
adulteration of foods, unlawful com-  
bines, fixing prices, selling goods on  
Sunday, observing the law of the au-  
tomobile, prize fighting? And many  
others I could mention. Is there any  
more disrespect for the dry law than  
these other ones I have mentioned? I  
am sure not.How much violation of the liquor  
laws was there when we had the sal-  
oon to deal with? I suppose all con-  
nected with those old saloon statutes  
had a very solemn respect for law and  
would not have violated any of the  
regulations for fear of receiving dis-  
respect for other laws. Now all who  
think so stand on your head.No, the disrespect for law lies  
deeper than violation of any one law  
ever placed upon that statutes of any  
country or of any state."I will put my law in their inward  
parts, and in their heart will I write  
it" is the way the Lord put it accord-  
ing to Jeremiah, and until it becomes  
such either by training or heredity we  
shall have violations of law. But one  
thing I am sure, absolutely sure of it  
as a law of psychology, practiced by  
all great advertisers, and that is such  
statements as this continually being  
put before the minds of the people,  
who do not think deeper than casual-  
ly, tends to break down in those minds  
the very respect for law that ought to  
be fostered and stimulated to grow  
there.Six sacks of mail order advertising  
was received at the Sikeston postof-  
fice Friday morning telling of the  
wonderful bargains they are offering  
on white goods. This is but a fore-  
runner of more to follow as other  
mail order houses know of the good  
picking in this trade territory. For  
ten days straight the average spent  
for postal orders was \$400 per day,  
this not counting parcel post orders  
sent in collect. What is wrong? Is  
it with the people or with the mer-  
chants? It looks as though the cash  
is sent away and the credit stays at  
home.In a few days we will bid farewell  
to 1922 a year of many ups and downs  
and unusual experiences. A good  
many well grounded hopes were blast-  
ed during those 12 months and great  
quantities of wind and water were  
squeezed out of former estimated  
uses of both stocks and individuals.  
The "leveling process" through which  
we all traveled was not altogether  
pleasant at times but on a general  
average most of us got about what  
was coming to us. Faith in South-  
east Missouri, hard work evidenced by  
real sweat, and the exercise of com-  
mon horse sense kept many a South-  
east Missouri Business Bark from  
foundering. The same articles of  
business faith will, in our opinion,  
carry many business firms in our sec-  
tion to a successful end of the bright  
New Year upon which we enter next  
Monday. This firm enters the "class  
of '23" with high hopes and strong  
determination to make it a good one.  
Without flowers or flourishes we  
pledge our efforts to merit the trade  
which you feel free to give us dur-  
ing our 25th year in Southeast Mis-  
souri.—F. D. Lair.Little Mary Miles Minter, the child  
phenomenon in movies just 21 years  
of age, has quarreled with her moth-  
er and set up house keeping by her-  
self. She is a very pretty Mary, but  
willful.Nearly every crime of a serious na-  
ture committed in this community  
during the past year was caused by  
white mule. It is such vile stuff that  
it appears to either make brutes of  
maniacs out of those who drink it.The Standard acknowledges the  
receipt of a case of Kellogg's breakfast  
foods sent as a Christmas gift. After  
eating greasy turkey, wild goose,  
candy and other sweets, this corn  
flake product and cold milk felt migh-  
ty good to disordered inwards.There is one thing the people of  
Missouri can be thankful for and that  
is there will be no partisan legislation  
passed at this session of the Legis-  
lation. The Senate and House being  
Democratic and the Governor a Re-  
publican, will give us good laws or  
none.Once in a while we notice in the  
Caruthersville papers where some-  
body has died a natural death, mostly  
women, however. Their papers carry  
more accounts of killings than all other  
Southeast Missouri counties com-  
bined. It must be a meaner brand of  
booze or a meaner streak of blood.Now is a mighty good time for the  
farmer to have his machinery over-  
hauled and put in condition for spring  
work. Work with the machine shop,  
blacksmith and wagon shop is slack  
and they could do the work now to  
advantage. Don't wait until you are  
ready for the machinery before hav-  
ing it repaired.We can easily tell why we are  
against bootleg whiskey and bootleg-  
gers in particular. Several men well  
known in the community were killed  
the past year by drinking the poison  
stuff. The bootlegger would just as  
leave sell the stuff to a boy as to an  
old toper. These two reasons are  
enough without offering others.The announcement in the last is-  
sue of The Standard of the sale of  
Poland China hogs by C. L. Blanton  
& Sons for February 20, was given  
without consulting the calendar at  
McCord's barn. The Southeast Mis-  
souri Durce Association had that date  
reserved so the Poland China sale of  
the Blantons will be held February  
27.Another one of the large families  
who were brought together on Christ-  
mas day was that of W. C. Bowman,  
where twenty-five members of the one  
family gathered around the festal  
board. All the children, all the sons  
and daughter's-in-law and all the  
grandchildren were there and genuine  
happiness was in evidence. May this  
family live to meet on many Christ-  
mas days to come.Steve Riddle was torn from the  
bosom of his family Friday night by  
the law officers and thrown into the  
bowels of Daddy Felker's bait cave  
just because he was caught with a  
supply of white mule. This is about  
the third offense for Steve so he will  
be held under a thousand dollar bond  
for the March term of court. At one  
time Steve was a hardworking man,  
but fell out with honest toil when he  
saw the prospects of affluence in the  
bootleg business. He evolved from  
an honest workman to a truck driver  
then to the owner of a Ford and to the  
jail.It is a true saying that you can  
catch no flies with vinegar. Just be-  
fore the holidays a newspaper repre-  
sentative, and it was not the editor of  
The Standard either, was soliciting ad-  
vertising for Christmas, when he  
opened a door at one of our business  
houses and before he could step in-  
side, one in authority did not give him  
time to state his business, but threw  
up his hands and said: "No, we don't  
want any advertising". The repre-  
sentative said: "I beg your pardon,  
but I came in to make a purchase, but  
if that is the way you feel about it,  
I'll go elsewhere". And he did. A  
grouchy merchant is the last of pea  
time.You are reading this paragraph now  
because you have learned to look for  
something of value in these columns.  
Here's something that is worth much  
to you. What stores have the best  
goods and at the most reasonable  
prices in town? How can you know  
what stores they are? Watch the  
ads in this paper, for they tell the  
story. The merchant who spends  
money in advertising his goods in-  
variably has goods that are worth ad-  
vertising, and his prices must of  
necessity be right or he could not  
afford to call special attention to  
them through the public print. Just  
glue your eye to the ads and you will  
save time, trouble and money—es-  
pecially money.**Ford****INTERESTING FACTS****106,327 Ford Cars and  
Trucks Retailed in  
November****Approximately the same number  
scheduled for delivery  
this month****What Does This Mean?**This volume of deliveries to actual owners is en-  
tirely unprecedented for this time of the year---It has taxed the manufacturing ability of the  
Ford plants working at full capacity---It indicates a volume of business during the rap-  
idly approaching months of "heavy demand"  
which will be far beyond the maximum produc-  
tion schedule which the Ford Motor Co. has set---And that means a Ford shortage even more acute  
than one which existed last Spring and Summer.Dealers' stocks all over the country are low--  
there are no reserves to draw upon to meet the  
demands for delivery---There is no way in which dealer reserves can be  
built up, as deliveries have been made to custo-  
mers as fast as cars could be manufactured since  
last April.The only way you can protect your desire to ob-  
tain prompt delivery of a Ford even at this time  
is to place your order immediately.*This emphasizes more strongly than anything we could  
possibly say the necessity of your making prompt ar-  
rangements with a Ford Dealer for the listing of your  
order, particularly if you are contemplating the purchase of a  
Ford Car or Truck for use this Spring or Summer.***We believe you are entitled to know these facts  
as they actually exist.****The Ford Motor Company**

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

**See Stubbs-Greer Motor Co., Sikeston, Dealers***A Small Deposit and Easy Payments if Desired*



Ellis Island

The immigration question has at least two phases: Who shall come in and how shall they be received? The two phases are not unrelated. Prof. Edward A. Steiner of Grinnell College, who had just completed one of his periodical trips in the steerage in the pursuit of his special interest as a sociologist, told a Chicago audience the other day that "Ellis Island has become a prison, with nothing to distinguish it from a penal institution" and that "unspeakable barbarities have been committed there." This is a somewhat colorful indictment, but there is other testimony pointing in the same direction. \* \* \* All sorts and conditions of people, it appears, are brought together without discrimination as to race or nationality; vermin-infested belongings of some of the immigrants contaminate the whole establishment, defeating all efforts at thoroughgoing sanitation; privacy is difficult to secure; delays are annoying and unexplained; inspectors, overworked and hardened, are gruff and unsympathetic. On the other hand, food is excellent, everything is kept as clean as possible, welfare organizations representing the principal races and nationalities among the immigrants are given free access to the various groups, inspectors are efficient and honest, with very few exceptions. \* \* \* The demand for economy of Government expenditure has had its effect at Ellis Island, as elsewhere and it is easier to call for than to justify exceptions to meet special needs. But the now interest in selection of stock for the "melting pot" is not compatible with indifference to closely related problems. If the best European material for American citizenship is to be attracted the way in must not be made too difficult. And the less desirable, but admittedly a people must be justly treated. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

The Revival of Etiquette

According to many signs and Junos there is a reviving interest in formal etiquette. Whether this is based on a genuine and general interest in better manners or chiefly on the ability, amounting to genius, of the advertisers of books on etiquette is not yet quite clear. In either case there is no harm to be done, and much good, by laying a little more emphasis than we have had in recent years on the outward signs of good breeding. Still, if the outward signs were the whole story there would be little hope for those seeking perfection in the art of etiquette. One might memorize a thousand rules governing the little details of daily life and yet come up against a situation requiring knowledge of a thousand-and-first rule, not yet learned. To cheer the despairing, let it be known that there is one simple rule which applies to almost all the polite formalities of life. That is the old, familiar rule of doing to others as you'd want them to do to you.—Lima (O.)—Republican Gazette.

THE EVOLUTION OF AN EDITOR



IE EDITOR



THE ASS



THE GOAT

"CLARENCE" AT MALONE THEATRE MONDAY & TUESDAY

William deMille's "Clarence" is Booth Tarkington's "Clarence" and will have just as strong an appeal as the play.

It is the most delightful picture I have seen in a long, long time. It is full of real human people and they give you many a laugh. Wally Reid is excellent as "Clarence", the seemingly stupid, helpless ex-soldier whose influence sets everything straight in a household that has been all awry. May McAvoy and Robert Agnew make a great pair of lovelies. Agnes Ayres is good as the governess, and Kathryn Williams puts over some fine comedy as the wife who is always sorry for herself.

It is the story of the Wheeler family. Edward Martindell is Mr. Wheeler. Kathryn Williams is Mrs. Wheeler. Agnes Ayres is Violet Pinney, the governess who is trying to teach Corn Whisler (McAvoy), a romantic kid of about sixteen who is in love with Martindell's secretary Stan (Adolphe Menjou). Menjou wants to marry McAvoy because her father has a lot of money.

Bobby Wheeler (Robert Agnew) has a happy love, long distance affection for Ayres but he's all upset because the maid tells him "the butler's broke our engagement because he saw you kiss me. Now you got to marry me or I'll sue you for damages".

Kathryn Williams is in a stew because she thinks her husband is in love with Ayres—which he isn't.

Ayres learns that McAvoy is in love with Menjou and goes to Martindell's office to tell him. Reid, just out of the army, looking like the wrath of God in an old army suit, overseas cap and hornrimmed spectacles, is there. He wants to see Martindell because Reid has read a speech in the papers, delivered by Martindell, urging everybody to help the returned soldier. It was a good speech but Martindell does not mean much of it.

While he is in the reception room the whole Wheeler family gets into a row over McAvoy's love affair and things in general. McAvoy has learned from Reid that he was a mule driver in the army and he has told her that he could drive mules without swearing. She has told her father of this gift that Reid has. In desperation, at the end of the family row he says to Reid.

"Is it true that you can drive mules without swearing?"

Reid says he can.

"Then," says the father, "I guess you would be useful in my home" and hires him.

Up to this time you have had fine comedy scenes which continue through the story. McAvoy's "great eternal love" is a problem she has put up to Reid. The boy asks him "if you'd kissed a person and then fell in love with a lady, what'd you do?"

Reid turns out to be a regular handy man about the house. The butler asks him what he did before the war and Reid answers simply, "Bugs".

Reid teaches the chauffeur how to play the saxophone better, tufts the piano and with great restraint throws Menjou out of the house when Menjou comes to threaten Ayres the unless she lets him see McAvoy he will tell Kathryn Williams that Ayres and Martindell are in love with each other.

Menjou contrives to see McAvoy and persuades her to elope. He tells her he will meet her at the minister's. Reid catches her just as she is about to drive away. He secretly opens the oil plug and lets her go, then gets Ayres and they start after her, following her by the trail of oil.

They arrive at the minister's just as McAvoy is getting there. Menjou knocks Reid down and starts on a run for the minister's with McAvoy. Reid gets to his feet, catches Menjou by the back of the shoulders and shakes him—pleasantly and deliberately as if it were a job he had to do and one that he was going to do thoroughly—until Menjou collapses.

Then Reid takes the kicking McAvoy and drives away, with Ayres holding her as McAvoy stretches her arms to Heaven appealing to Menjou to come and save her.

In the fight Reid has dropped his pocketbook, which Menjou finds. In it

is a clipping telling of Charles Smith, a deserter, sought by the war department and by a divorced wife seeking alimony. Above the news item is a picture, cut off at the waist, by who ever clipped the item from the paper. It shows only the legs of Charles Smith.

Reid, Ayres and McAvoy return. McAvoy is furious. Agnew, the kid, enters and defends Ayres—"the most high minded, spirited woman that ever lived".

McAvoy and Agnew start a hair pulling match. Williams, then Martindell enter.

Reid, in the meantime, has gone to his room and he returns dressed up in his new store clothes. His influence at once begins to smooth out the family quarrels. He starts to play the saxophone and Kathryn Williams accompanies him on the piano.

He is so handsome that McAvoy at once falls in love with him. Just as everything seems right, Menjou enters and shows the clipping to Martindell.

Martindell asks Reid his night name. Nobody has been sure what it was—everybody called him Clarence, and when he gave it the first time he coughed and Martindell's secretary wrote it down as "Snuun".

Reid tells him his name is Clarence Smith, takes the clipping and turns it over and shows that on the back is an item about Professor Clarence Smith who has made great discoveries regarding the effect of sound upon bugs, using a saxophone for the sound.

It turns out that Clarence is a famous professor.

He has been expecting a letter, which the butler has been carrying because it was addressed to Dr. C. Smith. The letter offers Reid his old job back at an advance in salary.

It was what he had been waiting for. Now he asks Ayres to marry him. The butler and the maid make up. Husband and wife find that they have been neglecting romance and Ayres and Reid walk into the garden leaving grief in the hearts of McAvoy, who loves Reid, and Agnew, who loves Ayres.

Reid kisses Ayres. "Oh, Violet," sighs Bobby. "Oh, Clarence," weeps McAvoy.

Announcement Party For Miss Wise

One of the most delightful affairs of the holiday season was a surprise announcement party given by Mrs. Harry Dudley and her sister, Miss Helen Thomas, Wednesday night, announcing the engagement of Miss Hazel Wise and Mr. Fred Hettlage. Miss Wise is the splendid young woman connected with the Cook Grain Co. and Mr. Hettlage is in the mercantile business with Mrs. Lillie McGee at Kewanee. The date has not been set for the marriage.

Quite a novel idea was used in announcing the engagement.

The evening was spent playing Bridge and when refreshments were served each guest received a cup of mints with a tiny envelope in same with a question mark on it. Inside the envelope Miss Wise and Mr. Hettlage names were written and then cut up like a puzzle and when the pieces were placed in their proper order the puzzle was solved.

Among those invited were: Misses (Hazel) Wise, Helen Grojean, Helen and Emma Brucher, Adella and Lois McCord, Eulene Penwick, Irma Wilson, Margaret Harris, Bernice Daugherty, Holly Wise, Sara Allen, Elouise Mathewson, Mrs. John Riley and Mrs. Fannie Fine of New Madrid, Mrs. H. Clay Stubbs, Mrs. Joe Stubbs, Miss Gladys Kendall, Mrs. W. A. Anthony, Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mrs. J. C. Woods and Miss Pauline Graham.

Maxims of a Modern Maid

Post-Dispatch. Masculine charity may not be all-embracing, but it never yet has hesitated to embrace the feminine victim of a cruel and censorious world—if only she's pretty enough.

The children write letters to Santa Claus, but when a poor little woman wants a pearl necklace she can only drop hints to her husband—or to some other husband. And there's lots of men on whom hinting has absolutely no effect!

If, as Clemenceau says, victory in war means holding out 15 minutes later than your opponent, victory in love means letting go 15 minutes earlier.

When a male citizen of this unromantic modern world pays a woman a charming compliment, she can be more suspicious of him than a traveler dying in the desert can look for an ulterior motive at the bottom of a cup of cold water!

Almost any couple can refrain from quarreling about the so-called great problems of life, but what strains diplomatic relations to the breaking point is the question of how far to keep the windows open in winter.

Ford Sales Record Broken

According to a statement issued by the Ford Motor Company, deliveries of Ford cars and trucks to retail buyers during the month of November totaled 106,327. This is a new high sales record that has never before been approached by the Company at this season of the year and one which stands out in marked contrast to the November 1921 retail delivery figures which totalled slightly over 58,000 cars and trucks.

For eight consecutive months, beginning with April 1st of this year retail deliveries have exceeded 100,000 Ford cars and trucks each month; the accumulated total for the first 11 months of 1922 being approximately 1,200,000. While the Company points out that it is not unusual for Ford retail sales to exceed the 100,000 mark during the spring and early summer months when the demand is at its peak, the manner in which Ford sales have held up throughout the balance of the year is without precedent.

Credit for this remarkable showing is attributed by the Ford Motor Company to the many improvements which have lately been made on Ford cars and particularly the new low level of Ford prices, recently put into effect. These new low prices not only broaden the field of prospective Ford purchasers but go still further in making the Ford car the best value from the standpoint of the retail buyer, that it has ever been.

Although the Ford factories have been operating at capacity for the past eight months, sales have equalled production and judging from the unusual manner in which orders are coming in at this season of the year Ford dealers will be unable to accumulate an adequate stock of cars during the winter months for delivery next spring.

In the opinion of the Ford Motor Company, November sales are an indication that many prospective purchasers, realizing the exceptional value now being offered in Ford cars, are beginning to anticipate an unusual spring demand and are therefore planning orders during the fall and will continue to do so throughout the winter to avoid disappointing delays in delivery later on. While this will relieve the situation to some extent, it is pointed out that the steadily increasing demand for Ford cars is nevertheless sure to create an acute shortage as the season advances.

Accordingly, the Ford Sales Organization is urging prospective Ford purchasers to arrange for delivery during the winter months in order that the demand next spring will be relieved as far as possible.

Returns from banded birds sent in to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture constantly traveled by migratory birds in their instinctive search for a warm place to winter. Mallard duck No. 102755, banded at Browning, Ill., on March 12 of this year, was killed November 9 about 7 miles southwest of Lexington, Neb., about 600 miles west. No. 102470, also a mallard duck, banded at Browning on March 7, was shot November 12 at Leavenworth, Kans., some 500 miles west of where it started. Both of these ducks probably made a spring flight northward and then south in the fall to the point of capture.

For the first time in the history of the British Co-operative Congress, the recent convention of the society was presided over by a woman.

J. B. ALBRITTON



UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER Sikeston, Mo.

Located at Greenhouse

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

Flowers for All Occasions

The Governor Grows Careless

Governor Hyde returns from his eastern trip and tells the St. Louis reporters that he won't submit his consolidation bills unless there is a chance to pass them, but that he still believes in them. He avows no particular preference as to the form of the bills. He merely wants to consolidate and co-ordinate.

Incidentally that was the Governor's trouble two years ago. He was not particular about the form of a bill, if it was a "consolidation" bill. It made no difference if the bill created an autocrat with amazing powers, if it was a "consolidation" it was sacred. A "budget" bill was a "budget" bill, in the eyes of the Governor, regardless of what the bill contained.

The Governor may be more practical than he thinks he is, and the coming session might prove it. For instance, what would he think of a bill that put the Game and Fish Department, the Oil Inspection Bureau, the Beverage Inspection Department, the Food and Drug Department, and a few others, under the Secretary of State, with about half as many employees as these bureaus have now? What would he think of abolishing the Tax Commission the Insurance and the Finance Departments transferring their duties to the State Auditor and the State Treasurer, with a great reduction in expenditure? Then, as a final proposition, how would he like to abolish the Grain and Warehouse Department and transfer it to the jurisdiction of the State Board of Agriculture, and provide that this board should be strictly bi-partisan in character?

We do not say that anything of this kind would be attempted, but it is certain that these would be real consolidations, with a great saving in public funds and without impairing public efficiency in any of these various activities of the State, BUT THE GOVERNOR WOULD BE DEPRIVED OF THE PRIVILEGE OF FILLING THE JOBS.

It's a safe bet that the Governor would be particular as to the form of the consolidation bills, if they contemplated the reduction in the number of offices and took the patronage involved out of his hands.—Missouri State Journal.

The New Turkey

When Mohammed VI went away he left behind 150 wives with no visible means of support. The new Government took over the burden along with the army, the navy, the post office and other recognized governmental obligations, but it now announces that times being what they are, and taxpayers showing signs of fretfulness, it is compelled to lop the harem off the public payroll. The Government doesn't want to hurry or hurry them, but they must prepare to vacate the flat, as the new Sultan means to run it on the economical basis of one wife at a time. While the ladies are packing, and perhaps fussing a little in a tearful manner over the division of the stockings and camisoles, the Government is doing them a friendly turn by trying to find husbands for them. It is willing to give them the highest testimonials and most unimpeachable references, in case any Turk who is thinking of getting married would care to look them over. The Government says in its prospectus that these ladies were selected for the harem on account of their youth, beauty and figure. "They have," says the Government in the official specification, matchless complexions, dark eyes and long chestnut colored hair". Somehow it reminds of the United States Shipping Board advertising the wooden fleet. But the Turkish Government keeps its best word for the last. The complexions, eyes and chestnut colored hair are almost irresistible, but when the Government guarantees under its official seal that these beauties are also "religious, faithful and affectionate", the rush ought to begin.—Kansas City Star.

The birth of two bull buffalo calves during November was reported to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture. One was at Wind Cave Preserve and one at Sullys Hill Preserve. This makes a total of 104 buffalo calves born this season on the four preserves, which are known as the National Bison Range, Niobrara Reservation, Wind Cave, and Sullys Hill. The death of one calf at Sullys Hill is the only one reported of all those born.

A Sedalia woman got a divorce because her husband never came home on time. A lot of divorces are also gotten because hubby came home a little before time.—McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

For the first time in the history of Japan, women are permitted to hold and attend meetings for the discussion of political questions.

An All-Around Citizen

Grabble & Son, wholesalers, sold a bill of goods to J. B. West, a merchant at a small crossroads village in Missouri, and when the goods arrived at the village, Mrs. West refused them. The wholesale firm prepared to institute suit for collection, and wrote to the railroad agent at the village for information about the arrival of the merchandise, to the president of the bank for information concerning the financial standing of their customer, to the mayor of the city asking him to recommend a good lawyer to handle their case, and to Mr. West, threatening suit if he did not make payment at once. Mr. West answered:

"I received the letter telling me I had better pay up. I am the railroad agent at Crossings, and also received the letter you wrote to the agent. I am president and sole owner of the local bank, and can assure you as to my financial standing. As the mayor of the city, I hesitate to refer you to a lawyer, since I am the only member of the bar of this vicinity. If I were not also pastor of the Methodist church, I would tell you to go to h—d."—Windsor (Missouri) Review.

HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Addressed to Progressive Merchants in this Community

Sell More Goods Move More Merchandise

In St. Louis, February 6th, 7th and 8th, a great merchant's conference to study how to "Move More Merchandise" will be held. You are invited.

Thirty Nationally known figures will speak there on subjects you ought to know about—subjects that have to do with your business.

Actual demonstrations under experts will be made to show you how to

Trim Your Windows Better Write Better Show Cards Write and Lay Out Better Ads

A special fare and a half rate on the certificate plan has been arranged. Ask your railroad or newspaper man.

ADVERTISING CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 8-9



Presented by Cosmopolitan Corporation

Here's to The PRIDE of PALOMAR

"The Pride of Palomar"

A Cosmopolitan Production A Paramount Picture

With an all-star cast headed by Marjorie Daw and Forrest Stanley

Also News and Comedy "Take Next Car"

Admission 15c and 30c

Where fiery Spanish passions, where Spanish ideals of honor still cling to the American West—that's the setting of Peter B. Kyne's greatest story. A virile romance gay with color and bold with adventure. And throwing a new light upon America's gravest problem. Directed by the man who made "Humoresque".

Cosmopolitan Corporation Presents



## STIKESTON LION CLUB TO ROAR IN MINSTREL

The Skeston Lion's Club is sponsoring a vaudeville show at the Malone Theatre on the evening of Wednesday, January 10, that is promising to be a display of entertaining talent par excellence, embellished in costumes de luxe and supported by musical numbers bordering on the extravaganza.

There will be ten numbers, in all but two of which members of the Lion's Club will take the leading roles.

Phil Baxter, whose musical aggregation is well known to Southeast Missourians, and whose harmonious renditions have successfully soothed the Lions at their feasts, will contribute "some of his own" on this evening and the audience can be sure that it will be to their liking.

The Stubbs Brothers—Joe, Clay, Dick, Jack and Paul—will give an original musical skit that will be the "Stubbiest" performance Skeston has seen in a home talent show.

A. Ray Smith, president of the Lion's Club, is not generally known to be a ventriloquist—but he is, and a good one—one of the new school, much better than the old-time trick talking. This number will make the wise-ones sit up late at night wondering how it was done.

Jub. Barrett, whose every-day performance is that of assistant bank cashier, will head a company presenting for the first time in Skeston "A Damn Lie". No one can do this so well as Jub. (this is not a nick-name for Jubiter).

Julian Redding, the "Impersonator Supreme", will favor the audience with a performance as mystifying as is his own personality—and that is saying a good deal.

"Sacking a Woman in Two" is an old "Sax", but it will be done next Wednesday evening with a brand new saw on a new woman and will be blood-curdling but real.

H. Clay Stubbs will lead a dazzling chorus in "Songs of Today". The chorus will be good to look at and the songs will be pleasant to hear.

Charles Lee Blanton is on the bill for an exhibition of aesthetic dances. All who know Charlie—and all know him—can rest assured that this part of the program will be limited only by Charlie's majestic form and its graceful maneuvers.

William H. Sikes will appear as "That Sweet Southern Minstrel" in songs both sweet and Southern.

The closing number will be a living life of the Lion's Club, which is as follows:

Dr. W. A. Anthony, R. G. Applegate, E. E. Arterburn, A. C. Barrett, H. C. Blanton, C. L. Blanton, Jr., C. F. Bruton, C. H. Denman, H. E. Dudley, P. M. Gervin, W. E. Hollingsworth, J. H. Galleener, J. S. Kevill, J. W. Kimes, Dr. T. C. McClure, Rev. Thomas B. Mather, E. A. Matthews, J. L. Matthews, E. C. Matthews, C. D.

Matthews, Jr., W. T. Malone, L. F. Mayfield, W. L. Patterson, L. D. Randall, Dr. H. E. Reuber, J. N. Ross, A. Ray Smith, W. H. Sikes, Joe Stubbs, Jr., H. C. Stubbs, E. F. Schorle, Alvin Taylor, T. A. Wilson, J. H. Yount, H. C. Young.

Thornton Wilson is directing the show, which is another guarantee that it will be a satisfying event of fun and good cheer. The proceeds will be used in the charitable and community work planned by the Lion's Club.

Tickets will go on sale Saturday at Dudley's confectionery.

## SAYS MOTORS COST FARMERS \$30,000,000 A YEAR ON OATS

Chicago, Dec. 27.—American farmers are losing approximately \$30,000,000 a year on their oats crop and probably a like amount on their hay crops through the use of automobiles, motor trucks and tractors which have largely supplanted the use of horses in the cities, according to Robert McDougal, president of the Chicago Board of Trade in analyzing the effect of motorized hauling on the horse and grain market.

McDougal believes, however, the pendulum is swinging the other way, pointing out that the prices on good draft horses are advancing.

"In 1910 there were 3,500,000 horses in the cities," said McDougal, "while in 1920 there was a trifle more than half that number. Most city horses are fed upon oats and hay. Oats prices recently averaged 65 cents below wheat prices, whereas before we began using gasoline they averaged 62 cents below wheat. This is a loss of 3 cents per bushel, which based upon an average crop of 1,000,000,000 bushels nets the farmer a tidy loss."

"There is no doubt the big power tractor has reached the saturation point. In many farming sections high-powered tractors were bought by small scale farmers. It was a disastrous venture for many. In the cities many businesses turned their backs upon the horse for short hauls with frequent stops. Today the farmer is feeding a yard of colts and the horse is coming into his own for short hauls."

"The horse will never come back to his old place in the city, but he is going to be sure of an important place in moving several varieties of commodities."

Last Thursday afternoon Miss Evelyn Sutton entertained several of her friends with a tea.

Dr. and Mrs. Schnurbush are home after spending the holidays with friends and relatives in Perry County.

Just at this particular time the editor is thankful that he doesn't own a car and that he wears just ordinary spectacles.

This issue of The Standard will be delivered in Skeston by the postal carriers. It may be that some name may have been left off the mailing galley so if your neighbor misses the paper and you hear of it, kindly advise the office.

## MISSOURI CONGRESS NOW IN SESSION

Jefferson City, January 3.—The Missouri Legislature convened at noon today for its fifty-second biennial session, the mid-term session of Gov. Hyde's administration, with Democratic majorities in both branches.

At caucuses last night the Senate and House Democrats agreed upon the organization the results for the principal offices being as forecast in the Post-Dispatch yesterday.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant-Governor Lloyd and the House by Secretary of State Becker.

The Senate after perfecting its organization adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The House after adopting the rules of Fifty-first General Assembly adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

The Governor's message will be delivered tomorrow.

As a result of the caucus actions, former Lieut.-Gov. Painter of Carrollton, Senator-elect, will be president pro tem of the Senate and will have the appointment of the Senate committees, the Democrats having agreed to put over a change in the rules to take that power from Lieut.-Gov. Lloyd who is a Republican. Oak Hunter of Moberly was agreed upon for the speakership of the House and will appoint the committees.

The other officers selected for the Senate are: Frank H. Farris of Rolla, caucus chairman and floor leader; H. C. Chancellor, Jr. of Barton County, assistant secretary; Edward O'Hara of St. Louis, doorkeeper; Tim Birmingham of St. James, sergeant-at-arms; Frank Armstrong of Harrisonville, official reporter; Mrs. Clyde Walker of Mountain View, chief of the enrolling force; H. C. Davis of Howard County, chief of the engrossing force; the Rev. E. F. Hill of Linn County, chaplain.

The officers for the House, in addition to the speaker, will be: J. E. W. Allison, Maries County, speaker pro tem; William Hicks, Kansas City, Chief clerk; James T. O'Brien, St. Louis, assistant chief clerk; Charles O. Nelson, Cass County, chief of the engrossing force; J. Will Shockley, Maries County, chief of the enrolling force; George T. Sanders of Ray County, and R. H. McClanahan of Sullivan County, reading clerks; Charles Branham of Ray County, doorkeeper; Miss Millicent Peck of Dent County, postmaster; the Rev. G. A. Hoffman of Stoddard County, chaplain; H. D. McClellan of Adair County, sergeant-at-arms; H. C. Adair of Shannon County, official reporter.

Thomas J. Roney of Jasper County was made caucus chairman and will preside over the sessions of the House as temporary speaker until Hunter formally is elected. In both houses the usual plan of solemnly agreeing upon a curtailed clerical force was adopted. And, as usual, the agreement was entered into with every evidence of sincerity, but unless history fails to repeat itself, the number will be augmented until within two or three weeks two or three times the number of clerks agreed upon will be in force.

In the House, the resolution presented by Bales of Shannon stipulated that the total number of House employees should be limited to 122, including all clerks, stenographers, pages and janitors. This is about the usual number agreed upon at the beginning of the session, but it usually is shortly increased to between 200 and 300.

Under the resolution each of 83 Democratic members will have the privilege of appointing one clerk. The remainder were either elected in the caucus or will be chosen by the Committee on Clerical Force. In the Senate each of the 19 Democratic Senators was authorized to appoint three clerks and one stenographer, and each of the 15 Republican Senators was authorized to appoint one clerk. This with the janitors and employees elected last night will bring the Senate force to about 125 for the beginning of the session.

Notwithstanding the fact that there will be no work of any character for more than a dozen clerks in each House for fully two weeks, most of the clerks will be named immediately, and, of course, will go on the payroll immediately. There was nothing in either caucus to prevent members from appointing relatives and it is to be expected that the nepotism, which has characterized every session, will appear at this.

The Jefferson City Capital News was named the official paper of the House and will publish the official proceedings, for which it will be paid \$1 an inch, and 2 cents each for 200 copies of the paper daily. In previous Legislatures there has been no advertising rate paid for the official record publication, the paper receiving the work being paid 10 cents a copy for from 200 to 300 papers. The Senate took no action regarding

an official publication, further than to informally agree that both houses should have the same paper. It probably today will also select the Capital News at the same rate as that fixed by the House.

## PARASITES MAY HELP COMBAT EUROPEAN CORN BORER PEST

The work of introducing the natural enemies of the corn borer from Europe made rapid strides during the last fiscal year, according to the report of the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. Agents at Hyeres, southern France, have been almost constantly collecting and shipping insect parasites of the corn borer to America, where these have been assorted and reared, to be subsequently liberated in large numbers in the heavily infested regions of New England. More than 500,000 specimens of a single species of parasite were liberated in this manner during the summer of 1922, and thousands of individuals of several other kinds were also liberated in this region.

The present plans of the bureau include the continuation of this work, in order to insure, where possible, the establishment of all available beneficial insect enemies of the pest before it becomes widely distributed through out the United States. With this in view, what promise to be successful steps have been taken to establish one species of these parasites on native corn borers in the South Atlantic and Gulf States and on the sugar cane borer in Louisiana so that this enemy may be present and ready to attack the pest in case the European corn borer should spread to those regions.

## Taxation in Switzerland

In several European countries certain radical elements, with the support of a few academic thinkers, have been urging a levy on capital in addition to high income taxation as a means of solving existing grave financial problems and paying off war debts. In England the Labor party advocated a capital levy, and that feature of its platform cost its hosts of supporters at the recent parliamentary election. Switzerland was not a belligerent in the World War, but its finances were dislocated by that great struggle and it has been facing budgetary difficulties. The Socialists and other radicals proposed a drastic levy on capital. Any individual or corporation having more than \$15,000 capital was to have been taxed 8 per cent on the excess up to \$20,000. From that point the tax was graduated and progressive, so that in many cases the State could have claimed 60 per cent of the excess over the \$15,000 minimum. The Swiss Parliament rejected the proposal, but its sponsors obtained 50,000 signatures to a referendum petition and submitted the question to the electorate. It was believed at first that the peasantry would vote overwhelmingly for the tax, but the proposal was rejected, 7 to 1. The Swiss farmer wants credit and low interest rates; the Swiss workman wants steady employment and fair wages, the Swiss business man wants active trade. The mere threat of a levy or capital caused a slump in the securities market and raised interest rates. Capital was withdrawn from the country or invested in foreign securities industries began to plan restriction of production and to discharge employees. These natural results of a serious peril told their own story. The voters made short work of the confiscatory levy on capital. Advocates of such a levy in England, Italy and elsewhere may learn something from the Swiss episode.—Chicago News.

San Francisco has a Filipino club, presided over by native women.

Misses Catherine Blanton, Honora Bailey, Marian Decker and Helen Welsh left Tuesday night for Columbia, Mo.

Miss Mary Ethel Prow returned to Collins, Va., Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Prow accompanied her as far as Cincinnati, Ohio.

The friends and acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Erdmann will be glad to hear that their little daughter, Lauretta, is some improved and the nurse and doctor gives hopes of her recovery.

Charged with selling wild ducks and shipping them by mail in packages not marked to disclose nature of contents, William T. J. Lewis, of Hopkins, Va., was sentenced to jail for five months by Judge Rose, presiding in the Federal court in Baltimore, Md. This is one of the most severe jail sentences ever imposed for violation of the migratory bird treaty act.

Lewis' activities were disclosed when the Federal game warden seized some of the ducks which he had shipped by mail and obtained letters written by him to prospective customers offering wild ducks for sale. The migratory bird treaty act is enforced by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture.

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AWARDED FOR EFFICIENCY

Jack Phelps and Everett Hargroves of the Commercial Department of our local High School, have been awarded medals and Miss Mildred Reed has been awarded a certificate for efficiency by the Underwood Type Writing Co. and the Remington Typewriter Co. awarded a medal to Jack Phelps and a card case to Max Smith for efficiency. The School Board have added two new Remington machines to the Commercial Department at the High School.

## SWEATERS FOR THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

The High School girls, who played basketball last year and those who have played this year have been presented with white sweaters with the letter "S" on them. The girls are very proud of them.

## Baptist Church

9:30—Sunday School classes for all ages and all grades. J. C. Horne, Superintendent.

11:00—Morning Worship. Music led by choir. Sermon by the pastor.

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. Meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Spiritual Songs. Sermon by the pastor.

You are cordially invited to our services. It is always becoming and wholesome to honor God in Public Worship and to delight in His Word and set a right example for others. It is good to begin to do this now.

## Methodist Church

9:30—Sunday School.

10:45—Preaching. "The Frailty of Human Goodness".

2:00—Junior League.

6:30—Intermediate and Senior Leagues.

7:30—Preaching. "Fundamentals. I".

Come worship with us. We have a seat for you and a hearty welcome.

THOS. B. MATHER, Pastor.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Case, of Poplar Bluff, mother of F. B. Case, and Mrs. Mable Driskill of Piggott, Ark., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Case, are guests at the Case home in Skeston.

Large decreases in the wheat and barley crops in Spain are indicated in cablegrams received by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Production of wheat is placed at 125,478,000 bushels from an acreage of 10,307,000 acres, compared with 145,150,000 bushels from 10,386,000 acres in 1921. Production of barley is placed at 77,528,000 bushels from 4,080,000 acres, compared with 9,320,000 bushels from 4,335,000 acres in 1921.

A number of Skestonians own stock in the Finley Aerocruiser that has been before the public for the past five years. Little or nothing has been done towards actually constructing a machine, but a great deal has been done to sell the stock. The only real accomplishment has been the developing and building of an engine claimed to have great possibilities. This engine is now in Skeston for demonstration to those interested. The Standard hopes the stockholders will yet realize something, but it looks like a 1000 to 1 shot.

Attention is called to the Minner Community Meeting to be held Friday night of this week to which all members are requested to be present as a splendid program will be presented. W. E. Foard, Scott County Farm Agent, will talk on the County Farm Bureau; Roscoe Warren on State Farm Bureau; J. J. Reiss on National Farm Bureau; John Powell on Farm Bloc. The many phases in which all these subjects help the farmer and the community should prove very beneficial to those who are present. A pruning demonstration will be given and small trees from the orchard will be brought in for the demonstration. After the regular program is given refreshments will be served and a general good time will be had.

A party of local nimrods hied themselves to a lake, not over 25 miles distant, in quest of migratory birds. They succeeded in bagging quite a number of wild ducks and, upon arriving at home with the spoils of the war waged against the feathered creatures, discovered a metal band engraved on the outside of the band was the words "Write Box 48, Kingsville, Ont." while on the inside of the band was "He careth for you. 1 Pet. 5-7." It is said that the Canadian government is studying the migratory habits of wild ducks and use this method of ascertaining just how far their ducks stray from home. Any person killing one of these marked ducks is directed to write the office indicated, stating the time and place of killing. The eggs of wild ducks are hatched by domestic fowls and these ducks are thus branded while in captivity.—Caruthersville Democrat.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Earl Swartz is visiting relatives in Urbana, Ill.

Mrs. G. D. Steele was a New Madrid visitor Saturday.

Miss Aletha Hill spent the week-end with Miss Verna King.

Miss Bess Hill of St. Louis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roe Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Jones of Pharris Ridge were in Matthews Saturday.

We are glad to report that A. H. Sutton is recovering from a severe attack of acute indigestion.

Mrs. Cadie McAdoo returned Sunday, after spending the Xmas holidays with relatives in Tennessee.

Master Granville Mainord of New Madrid spent the week-end in Matthews visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Albert Deane, little daughter, Helen and Miss Frankie Deane motored to New Madrid Saturday afternoon.

Misses Steele and Steele Fakes of New Madrid were guests of Misses Addie James and Frankie Deane, Friday.

George Clifford returned to his home in Chicago Friday after a few days visit at this place with Miss Addie James.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children of Skeston spent Sunday with Mrs. McCarthy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton.

Atty. Taylor and other hunters of St. Louis have been here the past week hunting with Judge G. D. Steele, F. E. Story and Clarence Hanott.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Baxter and little son returned to their home in Dallas, Texas after spending the Xmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane, daughters, Misses Willa and Lillith, son William, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz at a six o'clock dinner Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carrel returned home Saturday from Fredericktown, where they spent Xmas with Mrs. Carrel's mother, Mrs. Emma Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid, Mr. and Mrs. Gill Brooks and family of Crowe district, were all day guests of Mrs. Nanette Mainord Sunday.

Master Wm. H. Deane, Jr., had as his guests at a birthday dinner Sunday, Masters Granville Mainord of New Madrid, Casner Story and Louis Deane, Misses Marie and Mary Deane of this city.

Mrs. J. R. King had as dinner guests Wednesday, Mrs. C. C. Buchanan and mother, Mrs. Amanda King, niece Miss Anna Belle Buchanan and John King of Fairview and Miss Rebecca Pierce of Skeston.

## Bankruptcy Court

Emmett Burke, farmer of near Blodgett, filed a voluntary petition of bankruptcy in federal district court today, claiming his liabilities to be \$32,222.33. His assets are only \$1,050.29.

The secured claims for the estate amount to \$7480, while the unsecured are \$19,129.33. The preferred claims total \$4,000.

Evin Burke, farmer of near Vanduser, listed his liabilities as \$24,109.33 in a voluntary petition of bankruptcy filed in federal district court. His assets are only \$512.

The secured claims amount to \$4,780 and the unsecured to \$19,129.33.—Cape Missourian.

Misses Evelyn Sutton and Mildred Reed went to Chaffee Thursday afternoon to visit with Mrs. Jack Green.

Nominated as a joke, Miss Susanne W. Salter, to the great surprise of herself and friends, was elected Mayor of Norman, Okla.

H. A. Adams, wife and children of Palestine, Texas, visited the family of his brother, John W. Adams of this city during the week.

Thursday morning the Iron Mountain station was so crowded with negroes that the same space crowded with billy goats would not have smelled stronger.

Ruth McCoy of Skeston enrolled this week in the Chillicothe Business College at Chillicothe, choosing the complete course as offered in the Stenographic Department of that school.

Mrs. E. A. Lawrence and Mrs. L. M. Stallcup entertained with Bridge at their home on Thursday evening and Friday afternoon, complimentary to Mrs. C. M. Clay of Mexico, Mo., who is their house guest.

The average yield of potatoes per acre in the United States varies from about 60 bushels in Texas to more than 200 bushels in Maine, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture. The average for the entire country for the past 10 years is 98 bushels per acre.

Steve Riddle, bootlegger, was admitted to a \$300 cash bond by Justice Lechner, Wednesday afternoon and will be at the service of his friends and customers until the March term of court unless Tom Scott and Sheriff Kirkendall catches him again. The editor of The Standard was shown a letter from Deputy Sheriff Tom Scott asking to have Riddle held for court under \$1000 bond and the bondsmen to be worth it. This is the third offense for Riddle and the small bond he is out on will mean little to a successful business man. By the time court commences he can sell \$1000 worth of white mule, maybe kill a customer or two, but what does that matter, we must have the goods! Three hundred dollars! Someone higher up must have been scared.

# Organ Recital

AT

## SIKESTON METHODIST CHURCH

Thursday, January 11th

At 8:00 P. M.

By

## Chas. Galloway

Organist at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, St. Louis, and Director of Music at Washington University

One of America's Most Noted Musicians

All Are Invited To Hear Him

A Silver Offering Will Be Received at the Door—Otherwise

Admission Is Free

This is the first number of a series of Concerts and lectures being given free by the Skeston Methodist Church

This space given free by The Standard

## Ready to Go With Americas and Gillettes

WHEN America or Gillette Tires are on your Automobile, you can forget all about 'em for thousands of miles. That's the best recommendation we can think of!

Just keep them properly inflated and only a very unusual accident will cause trouble.

We do our own adjusting, thus insuring you prompt satisfaction. You can secure only firsts from us.

Phone 205

Farmers Supply Co.  
Hardware Department



## 1250 MILES OF MISSOURI ROADS UNDER CONTRACT, REPORT SHOWS

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 28.—The State Highway Commission, in its annual report for the year 1922 which was made public today, announced that 1236 miles of road which cost \$6,515,985 had been completed and that 1236 miles of road which cost \$6,515,985 had been completed and that 1259 miles of road to cost \$13,703,899 is under contract and construction.

The cost per mile of roads completed was \$5272 and the construction cost of roads under contract will be \$10,900 a mile approximately. The roads completed were built largely with the money allotted under the Morgan-McCullough law, which was displaced by the new law passed by the Legislature in 1921 to carry into effect the \$60,000,000 road program.

The report estimated that the Commission by March 1, 1923 will have under contract \$16,500,000 of roads under the \$60,000,000 program. By June 1, the Commission estimated, it will have 2000 of the approximately 7000 miles of state highways mapped out by the Legislature in 1921 under contract and construction.

"It is to be the policy of the Department," said the report, "to do as much grading first as is practical so that the dirt may settle well before surfacing is begun."

Before December 31, this year, the report states, the commission will have \$7,339,865, or all allotments under the Morgan-McCullough law under contract. That will clean up the obligations of the state to the counties under that law.

Having carried out the Morgan-McCullough program the commission is letting contracts for work under the \$60,000,000 bond issue in sixty-four of the 114 counties, according to the report. It is pointed out that this progress has been attained despite the fact that 80 per cent of the surveys under the Morgan-McCullough law had to be abandoned in order to obtain the most economical location and grades for the new highway system.

"The State Highway Department is building Missouri's road system on the best topographical locations and shortest routes possible. New right of way must be obtained in many cases to afford these conditions," he reports.

Missouri has been divided into ten districts for the purpose of administration in handling road construction and a division engineer is in charge of road construction in each group of counties.

Southeast Missouri is in Division No. 10.—Butler, Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Dunklin, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Ripley, Scott, Stoddard and Wayne counties; F. B. Newton, engineer; 255 miles under construction, 244 with federal aid at \$4,072,257 and 11 miles with state aid at \$42,941; 132.2 miles completed at a cost of \$1,838,861; 97.7 miles built with federal aid at a cost of \$1,700,920, and 34.5 miles with state aid at \$137,941; 191 additional miles to be awarded by December 31.

Counties north of Cape Girardeau are in Division No. 6, including Jefferson, Franklin, Gasconade, Warren, St. Charles, St. Louis, Crawford, Iron, Washington, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve and Perry counties; S. M. Ruder, engineer; 104 miles under construction or completed at cost of \$2,484,832; 40 miles completed at cost of \$855,123; plans for letting 58.11 additional miles by December 31 have been laid.

Four bridges to be built across the Missouri River at Lexington, Glasgow, Waverly and Boonville, to cost \$2,763,000, are features of the Missouri road program.

Aside from these Missouri river bridges another important span will be built in Gasconade county across the Gasconade river. It will be of steel, 662 feet in length and will have a twenty-foot concrete floor slab. The cost will be approximately \$109,000, of which the federal government will pay half. The contract for construction of this bridge has been awarded to the Wausau Iron Works, Wausau, Wis.

December 30 the State Highway Commission in session at Jefferson City made the final awards on road grading under the McCullough-Morgan law. Other contracts under the sixty million bond issue were let bringing the mileage under this law up to 493 miles at a total cost of nine million dollars. The Highway

Commission and their splendid engineering corps have worked wonders in so short a space of time and it is believed if the legislature will authorize the sale of sufficient bonds, the entire road building plan can be completed within three years. On the 20th of January bids will be opened for the strip of road from Benton to Charleston by the way of Diehlstadt. This road will miss Bledgett by about one mile though a hard road from Bledgett will connect up with this project.

The entire right-of-way for the east and west road has been acquired except that strip through the Robinson Lumber Co. yards paralleling the railroad. Damages were awarded to Paul Buchholz in the amount of \$350 and to Dwight Warren at Miner in the amount of \$200. The land occupied by the Robinson Lumber Co. is owned by the C. D. Matthews estate which estate has given their consent and will donate the right-of-way, but the lumber company has a lease on the ground which has several years yet to run, and as yet they have not given their consent. It will be necessary for this project to have clear title at an early date, else work may be held up indefinitely.

The Southeast Missouri Highway District has been allotted about \$200,000 more Federal Aid than should be given them, hence the necessity of proceeding with all haste with our road projects for fear any delays may make us lose this extra allotment.

From Dexter east nearly every bridge and culvert has been or is now being put in, and when spring opens this entire east and west projection will be pushed to early completion.

Mrs. Balderson of Sikeston, after a week spent in this city, departed Sunday for home. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Mary Roberta Everett.—Charleston Index.

Fred Curtis Allard of Sikeston enrolled this week as a student in the Chillicothe Business College at Chillicothe, choosing the complete course in the Commercial Training Department of that institution.

Women in the Government printing office at Washington performing the operations as men will receive equal pay with men. Increases from 10 to 20 cents an hour will be given 215 women affected by the new order, and decreases in salaries of about 200 men employees will offset this in part.

## LOCAL AND PERSONALS FROM NEW MADRID

Judge W. L. Stacy of Sikeston was in our city on business Saturday.

Miss Grace Miller visited her parents at Oak Ridge during the holidays.

Miss Helen Gould Allison spent Christmas with her parents at Potosi.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Waters of Malden are visiting friends in New Madrid.

L. M. Sarff of Bloomfield made a business trip to New Madrid Monday.

Miss Carolyn Austin spent the holidays with relatives at Clarksville, Tenn.

Atty. Valentine Perkins of Lilbourn made a professional visit to our city Tuesday.

A. M. Shaw, Jr. made a business trip to St. Louis the latter part of the week.

J. F. Cox and J. W. Black of Sikeston were in New Madrid on business Saturday.

E. W. Dailey of Bobo, Ind., was in New Madrid Monday looking after land interests.

L. V. Whalen of St. John's Township made a business trip to the county seat Tuesday.

Miss Marguerite Riley left Monday for Columbia to resume her studies at Stephen's College.

Atty. E. F. Sharp and Otto Ankersch of Marston were transacting business in New Madrid Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Miles returned Saturday from Bethany, Mo., where they visited relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Edwards entertained Thursday evening with a Rook party with four tables of guests who were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr.

Ruben C. Harris, brother of S. J. Harris of Gideon, was brought before County Court Monday and adjudged insane and ordered sent to Hospital No. 4. Sheriff Kerr left Tuesday to take Mr. Harris to Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Finch very delightfully entertained a number of their friends last Friday evening, with an elegant six o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for the following couples: Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Ehlers, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Buesching, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stepp, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Loud, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shaw, Jr., and Mrs. and Mrs. Eludworth of Martin, Tenn. The evening was very pleasantly spent in playing rook.

### Chaffee

Chas. Baronowsky, who is employed at Ste. Genevieve, visited his family here during the holidays.

T. C. Davis returned to his employment at Gideon after spending the holidays with his family here.

Miss Anna Guethley is working at the Frisco office while one of the regular employees was off during illness.

Mrs. G. A. Sample and children returned from an Xmas visit with relatives of Mrs. Sample at Bloomfield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams returned Sunday from a ten-day visit with friends and relatives in Kansas. A. W. Walling, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Walling, who is employed at Washington, D. C., spent Xmas week with his parents.

We are informed Alvin Klages of Cape Girardeau has accepted employment with the Frisco at Chaffee and will soon move to this city.

Miss Rita Finley has been visiting western cities the past thirty days. She stopped at Denver en route and visited Los Angeles on the western coast.

Dr. W. A. Walling, local dentist, has been appointed by the Veteran's Bureau to take care of dental work approved by this Bureau for ex-soldiers. It is understood he succeeds Dr. Richardson.

Miss Willa Lee Collier surprised her several friends Saturday evening by being married to P. C. Hartman, the High School Principal. It was a private ceremony attended by only the immediate family, with Rev. Hardy officiating. This adventure coming at the time of the Yuletide is rather optimistic and her many friends wish her happiness.

The residence of George McCurdy was totally destroyed by fire Thursday morning about ten o'clock. Mr. McCurdy resided on West Helen and was not at home at the time the conflagration started. With the assistance of the neighbors most of the furniture was carried out. The fire department responded to the call, but the flames had gained considerable headway before they arrived and they were only able to keep the flames in control and prevent spreading to other property.

## MAYBE WE WILL HAVE NEW FRISCO DEPOT

A petition is being circulated in Sikeston that is expected to contain every business man and citizen, asking the Frisco Railroad Co. to give us a passenger station in keeping with our city. Sikeston is one of the best points on the Frisco system between Memphis and St. Louis for both freight and passenger traffic, and has about the poorest accommodations. The city and patronage has long outgrown the old station and our citizens think it is about time for the Frisco to give us a modern convenience for passengers and freight.

J. N. Sheppard was in Fernfeld Tuesday to install officers for the ensuing year for the I. O. O. F. Lodge of that city.

Miss Emma R. Steiner, the only woman opera conductor in the country, is the only living kin of Barbara Freitchie.

Miss Elsie Smart returned Monday from Hazen, Ark., where she had been to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart.

Orville Lemley, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. E. M. Boswell, of Morehouse, spent a few hours in Sikeston Thursday of last week. Orville says his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lemley, former residents of this city, are in the best of health.

Great numbers of families with all their belongings have been on the road during the week moving to new locations. One family stepped in front of The Standard office Monday came below Kennett and was moving to the land of Mrs. Henson at Grays Ridge. He had 8 children in his family, plenty of stock and utensils, but stated he was moving from that section because he could not pay \$20 an acre rent and got out, that the boll weevil had damaged the cotton so that he was compelled to seek another section in which to farm.

**DR. V. D. HUNTER**  
Osteopath  
Citizens Bank Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**DR. H. E. REUBER**  
Osteopathic Physician  
257-258 McCoy Tanner Building  
Telephone 132  
SIKESTON, MO

**DRS. TONELLI & MCCLURE**  
Physicians and Surgeons  
Rooms 216-217  
Scott County Milling Co. Bldg.  
Phone 244  
Sikeston, Mo.

**L. B. ADAMS**  
Veterinarian  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: At Residence, 903 N. Kings-highway.  
Office and residence 444.

**HARRY C. BLANTON**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Rooms 210-12  
Scott Co. Milling Co. Bldg.  
Phones: Office 473 Res. 509

**Wm. L. PATTERSON**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office over Schorle Bakery  
Phone 116

**RALPH E. BAILEY**  
Lawyer  
McCoy & Tanner Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**B. F. BLANTON**  
Dentist  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: Dr. Smith's Rooms

**C. W. LIMBAUGH**  
Dentist  
Dr. Harrelson's office  
McCoy-Tanner Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**M. G. GRESHAM**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Citizens Bank Building  
Sikeston, Mo.

**W. A. ANTHONY**  
Dentist  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Phone 530  
Office: Scott County Milling Co. Bldg.

**DR. C. T. OLD**  
Veterinary Surgeon  
Sikeston, Mo.  
Office: J. A. Matthews Wagon Yard.  
Phone 114, Night, 221

**CHIROPRATIC**  
**LEO H. SCHNURBUSCH**  
Chiropractor  
209-211 Scott County Mfg. Co. Bldg.  
Hours 2-5 & 7-8 p. m.  
Sikeston, Mo.  
YOU CAN GET WELL THRU  
Chiropractic Adjustments

**C. A. WARD**  
Agt. MET. LIFE INS. CO.  
for monthly Income Ins.  
SIKESTON, MO.

## MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF DECEMBER 25th

Nights 7:15 O'clock

Monday and Tuesday  
Jan. 8 and 9

Special Feature

"The Pride of Palomar"

Peter B. Kyne's great story.  
A Cosmopolitan production.  
Also NEWS and Comedy.

"Take Next Car"

Admission 15c-30c

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10  
HOME TALENT

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

GLADYS WALTON in  
"High Heels"

Also NEWS

Admission 10c and 20c

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

OWEN MOORE in  
"Reported Missing"

The greatest action picture ever made. Comedy, Thrills and Romance. Have you ever laughed yourself tired? The process is good for the liver. Don't fail to see "Reported Missing". Also AESOP FABLES.

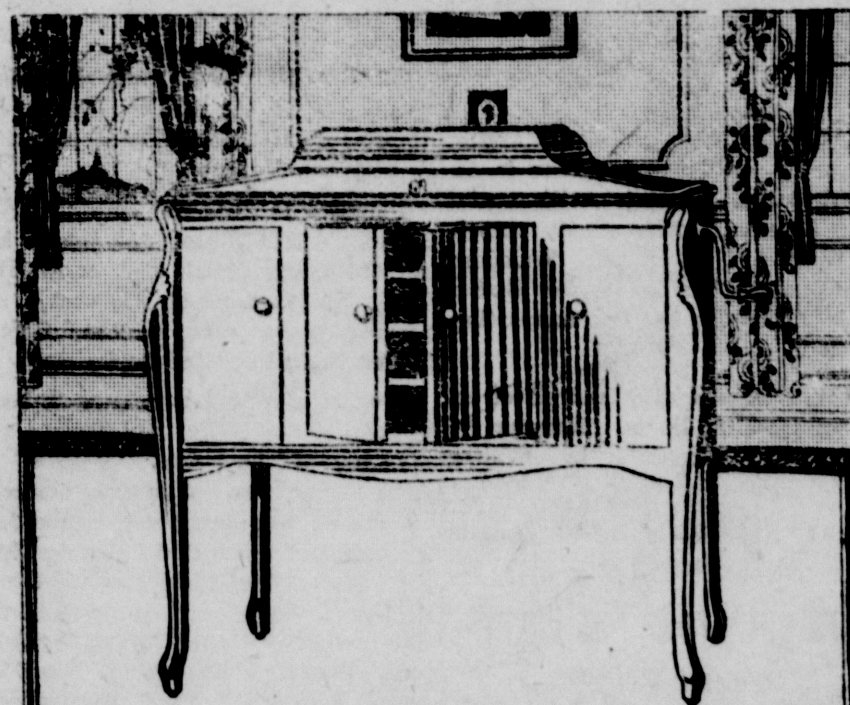
Admission 10c and 30c

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

"Golden Dreams"

with an all star cast. Also Ruth Roland in "TIMBER QUEEN". Episode 15. Admission 10c and 20c  
Matinee—2:30 Night—7:15

COMING—MONDAY & TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 and 16  
"CLARENCE"  
with Wallace Reid



## Did you get that Victrola?

Why go without, why deny your home the benefit and comfort of good music? For a surprisingly modest sum, you can begin at once to own your own Victrola. Come in today, select any model you want and we will deliver it at once. When it is so convenient to own a Victrola on our plan, you owe it to your family and yourself to get yours NOW. Why delay? Come in.

**DERRIS, DRUGGIST**  
SIKESTON, MO.



The average yield of corn per acre in the United States varies from 14.8 bushels in Florida to 47 bushels in Connecticut, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture. The average for the entire country for the past 10 years is 27.1 bushels per acre.

F. E. WILSON'S

## PUBLIC SALE

OF

## 23--Mules and Mares--23

On the Mrs. Lulu Early farm, 8 miles north of New Madrid, 12 miles south of Sikeston on King's Highway, 1 mile east and 4 miles south of Matthews, beginning at 12 o'clock noon

## MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1923

15 head of mules, from 4 to 13 years old and from 15 1-4 to 16 hands high, weight 1050 to 1250 pounds; four of them are plug mules but real workers. 8 good mares, mated in spans, from 5 to 11 years old, all bred to my big Jack, Governor Majors.

I have worked these mules and mares the past season on the farms I am running and know them, and will sell them to you as they are and all will be sold in the gears.

**TERMS ARE CASH.** Mr. Buyer, if you haven't the cash, go to your banker or friend and get it and save from \$25.00 to \$75.00 per span.

I am going to be your neighbor for some time, so everyone come and see my two Jacks and get acquainted with me. These mules and mares can be seen at the farm; you are invited to inspect them at your convenience.

**F. E. WILSON, Owner**

McCord Bros., Auctioneers

Howard Steele, of Matthews Bank, Cashier

For Full Description of Stock See Sale Bill



### HAD CANCER OF BREAST TREATED SEVEN YEARS AGO

Mrs. C. W. Bibens, 1001 College, Nevada, Mo., Says She Owes Her Life to Finding Right Treatment

The remarkable recovery of Mrs. C. W. Bibens, Nevada, Mo., who had a very critical case of Cancer of the breast, indicates that there is a cure for anyone who will take advantage of the right treatment in time. Mrs. Bibens refused to submit to an operation. Instead, she placed her case in the hands of Dr. O. A. Johnson, a Kansas City specialist who has devoted twenty-three years to cancer study and research.

In a recent letter she says: "Seven years ago today I came to you for treatment. Had it not been for you I would not be here today to tell the story." No surgery is used in Dr. Johnson's treatment. "Purely medicinal measures are employed; that is, external applications to destroy the cancer and internal medication to purify the blood. The method is very mild and usually gives results in two to six weeks."

A full description of the method is contained in a recent edition of Dr. Johnson's 168-page book, "Cancer Truths", which will be sent free to anyone interested. Simply send your name to Dr. O. A. Johnson, Suite 524, 1324 Main St., Kansas City, Mo., and the book will be mailed, postpaid without obligation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Chaney of Boulder, Colo., returned to their home last Friday after a delightful visit with relatives.

Corn is produced in every State in the Union, production ranging from around 30,000 bushels a year in Nevada to over 450,000,000 bushels in Iowa, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture.

### Malone Theatre Tonight—Friday

Jesse L. Lasky Presents

Wallace Reid

"The Dictator"

Supported by

LILA LEE



CARAMBRA! what a picture! Fights and thrills and gay romance in a Spanish banana republic—with a wild young American and a pretty senorita the center of it all. Theodore Kosloff, Walter Long, Kalla Pasha, and Alan Hale in the fine supporting cast.

From the famous play and novel by Richard Harding Davis. Director by James Cruze. Scenario by Walter Woods.

Also AL ST. JOHN in his famous Comedy

"Straight From the Farm"  
Aesop's Fables

Admission 10c and 30c

### MORGENTHAU WOULD GIVE RUSSIA CONSTANTINOPLE

New York, December 30.—The cession of Constantinople to Russia as the best way of settling the Turkish problem, was suggested today by Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey. Morgenthau took the view that Russia was certain to obtain Constantinople eventually and that to give the city to her now would prevent the further massacre of non-Mohammedan Turkish subjects, thereby a probable cause of future war and make impossible any military combination between Russia, Turkey and Germany. In return for the opportunity to consummate her age long ambition for a warm water port, which he termed a necessity, Morgenthau said Russia would undoubtedly be willing to guarantee the freedom of the straits and an open door to the commerce of other nations.

Pointing out that popular sentiment in Great Britain would not permit that country to go to war against the Turks, Morgenthau said that Russia would be able to supply the force necessary to expel the Turks from Europe. He added that Great Britain would lose less prestige by coming to an understanding with Russia than by yielding to the demands of the Turks and said that the trade with 150,000,000 Russians was of infinitely greater value to the British than the trade of 6,000,000 Turks and the Mosul oil fields, possession of which is now a point of controversy at the Lausanne conference.

### U. S. DEEPLY CONCERNED IN EUROPEAN SITUATION

Washington, December 27.—In debate in the Senate today on his proposal for a world economic and disarmament conference, Senator Borah of Idaho declared that Europe's economic situation presented questions of direct interest to the United States. "It has reached the point," he said, "when we are as deeply concerned and affected as any European power. It can no longer be said we are dealing exclusively in European questions."

The Idaho Senator also predicted that if present conditions continue another year, a war involving the great Powers of Europe will result and that the United States could not remain out of such a conflict. The unsettled reparations questions, he said, were fundamental, and were causing European nations to increase their armaments, a condition affecting everyday American life.

"The question is," said Senator Borah, "whether we are going to deal in these conditions now, or disregard them until they force us to take action, possibly in a definite way."

America, Senator Borah said, was being drawn further into European affairs, and now was deeper than when President Harding was inaugurated. In moral and technical effect, Senator Borah said, the United States was "assisting in administering the Versailles treaty."

Miss Addie Dover, who has been the guest of the H. W. Baker, Jr., family of Memphis, Tenn., returned to Sikeston Monday night.

Flaxseed is produced chiefly in the North Central States, the most important being North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, according to reports of the United States Department of Agriculture.

One of the recent market-topping patrons of the Omaha stockyards was a 14-year-old boy, Albert Shallow, of Adair, Iowa, who had learned methods of feeding and care of baby beef in the calf club conducted by agricultural extension workers of Guthrie County, Iowa. According to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, Albert's consignment was an Angus bull weighing 850 pounds, which sold at the top of the day's market on yearlings, \$10.25.

## Poland China Dispersion Sale

Tuesday, February 27, 1923

## At McCord Bros. Sales Barn

SIKESTON, MISSOURI

The Elm Grove Herd of Poland China hogs will be sold at public auction for cash at above date and place.

The offering consists of 15 tried sows, 20 spring gilts, 25 summer and fall gilts and 3 boars.

These sows are from the best blood lines obtainable in the country while the gilts are the offsprings of the sows and sired by Col. Pickett, Julius Caesar and The Son of Pan. The boars to be sold are Julius Caesar, The Son of Pan and a young boar out of a Yankee sow and by The Son of Pan.

This sale is made necessary because Milton and Ben Blanton are still in school and a shortage of feed and finances call for it. The boys will continue with their farm and retain their plant with six sows and gilts and one boar and hope to come again at some future date.

This is going to be a real offering and a description of animals will be printed later.

## C. L. BLANTON & SONS

### To Our Friends

At this time of the year we come to a realization that there are lots of good folks in the world. We reflect over the days that have passed and look to the coming year, and we come to find out that even business itself is better for us all when it has a foundation of friendliness—when we can count up such a long list of "good folks" with whom we have dealt. They have helped us, or we have tried to help them. Taking it all in all, our business friends have contributed a very great deal to the happiness we have had.

Confidence is the foundation of business and friendliness plays its important part in it. We may not know all these friends personally. We may only vision them through the letters they write us, or through hearing their voices over the phone—but they are just as real and just as close to us as the other friends who help us to enjoy life outside of business hours.

Every good business concern takes stock at the end of the year. One important item that should be included in the inventory is friendship. Business intercourse develops friendships that are dependable to the last degree. And business friendships are mutual—they are on a "give and take" basis. The real satisfaction and happiness of our daily work, the finest assets we have—assets which no one could represent by figures—these are the mutual confidence and friendship developed through the way we work for and serve each other.

These friends in business are the "good folks"—the folks who understand the job for five days he found out that they were for "The Pride of Palomar" and struck work. In the same way that the New Year may bring you increasing success and its full quota of happiness.—The editor.

Mrs. Adney and little son of Oklahoma City, Okla., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Phil Gervig, returned to their home, Wednesday night.

Thirty-six pure-bred rams in a county where only one was owned seven years ago, when the agricultural extension agent first began his work there, is reported to the United States Department of Agriculture as the record in Humphreys County, Tenn. Twenty farmers in the county bought pure-bred rams this season.

### "THE PRIDE OF PALOMAR" BASED ON KYNE'S NOVEL

Admirers of Peter B. Kyne's stirring novels, several of which already have reached the screen, will have an opportunity to see the picturization of his latest novel, "The Pride of Palomar", which now ranks among the best sellers of the current book season. The story was printed serially in Cosmopolitan magazine and it scored tremendously. Now that the book has appeared, its popularity shows no sign of waning.

Admirably suited to adaptation to the screen, Cosmopolitan Productions has purchased the novel for Paramount release in California, on the precise spots where the action of the story takes place. Many of the scenes were photographed at the old mission where "Ramona" was born. Interesting scenes in the garden of San Luis Rey Mission in Southern California are a feature of the picture.

Director Frank Borzage took his entire company to the Mission and surrounding country for the scenes of the picture. Mr. Kyne, the author, had laid out the locations, and all the producer had to do was to follow in his footsteps. In the book Mr. Kyne took a slam at coolie labor in California, and while most of the Japanese in Southern California are ignorant of the English language they are wise to the fact that the coolies had been attacked in the story and they wouldn't do a lick of work for the picture.

"We gave an order to a Japanese surveyor for a lot of potted plants," said Mr. Borzage, "but after working on the job for five days he found out that they were for 'The Pride of Palomar' and struck work. In the same way that the New Year may bring you increasing success and its full quota of happiness.—The editor."

The story of "The Pride of Palomar", which will be on view at the Malone Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, revolves about a Californian who returns home from service abroad to find his father dead and his big ranch in the hands of hostile interests. He loves the daughter of the man who is fighting him for the possession of the ranch and when he discovers that she has secretly aided him, he resolves to go it alone even though he must sacrifice his love. How he wins his battle is splendidly told.

Marjorie Daw and Forest Stanley

are the featured players of an all-star cast which includes Joseph Dowling, James Barrow, Warner Oland and other notable players.

### Working Classes and War

Recent events in Australia and New Zealand suggest that there, at least, it is going to be difficult to drum up enthusiasm for another war among the working classes—that is, the persons who have to do the fighting. Hard on labor's repudiation in Australia of Perimeter Hughes' jaunty gesture in offering troops to Great Britain with which to fight the Turks, and upon an election campaign which seems destined to retire him to private life, comes an expression of similar sentiment from New Zealand. There the Labor Party has issued a manifesto against Premier Massey because he promised a contingent of soldiers in the event of war in the Near East, condemning him for pledging the country "to a war without consultation of Parliament and behind the backs of the people who would have to do the paying and dying". Of course, organized labor is only a minority, but its attitude now is in marked contrast to that when it was pouring its life-blood into Gallipoli. Prime Ministers should be more cautious in promising other people's lives. Otherwise they may have thrown up to them the query of the small boy whose mother told him she was about to marry a certain Dr. Brown. The boy looked up eagerly: "Does Dr. Brown know it, mother?"—The Nation.

Buddie Matthews left for Upper Alton Tuesday, to attend Western Military Academy.

Carl Freeman left Tuesday night for Chillicothe, where he will enter the Chillicothe Business College.

Carson Wilkey left for Cambridge, Mass., Tuesday night to attend school at Harvard, after spending the holidays with homefolks.

The era of free first-class land in the United States has passed, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Nearly half the area of continental United States is not in farms. Of this area, 40,000,000 acres are absolute desert or too rugged to cultivate, 270,000,000 acres are occupied by forests and cut-over land, and 600,000,000 acres are in the semi-arid West and suitable only for grazing.

### NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

#### Annual Meeting of Farm Loan Association

The annual meeting of the New Madrid County National Farm Loan Association will be held on Tuesday, January 9th, beginning at 9:30 A. M. in the Farm Bureau office.

A Board of Directors will be elected at this meeting and officers for the coming year. The policies of the Farm Loan Ass'n for next year, will be decided and the disposition of dividends. Every stock holder in the Farm Loan Ass'n who is eligible to vote should attend this meeting.

#### Cotton Marketing Organization Committee Meeting

The organization committee, which is composed of three members from each cotton growing county, will meet at Sikeston, January 11th. This meeting was to be held on January 9th, but is moved forward to January 11 in order that the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Exchange, can meet with the committee.

The purpose of this committee is to lay the organization plans for a cotton marketing association for Missouri.

#### Annual Meeting of New Madrid County Farm Bureau

The annual meeting of the New Madrid County Farm Bureau will be held Friday or Saturday of next week which is the 12th and 13th.

The Executive Committee and officers for the ensuing year, will be elected, also the delegates to the Annual State Federation will be elected. Every Farm Bureau member should attend this meeting to outline the program of work for 1923.

An effort is being made by the Executive Committee of the Farm Bureau to secure the President of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Exchange to address the annual meeting on the subject of cotton marketing.

Work on the biology of clothes moth as affecting the brush and fabric industries has been one branch of the investigations of the Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture. Valuable information has been obtained. An additional service in this field has been the co-operation with the Army and Navy by furnishing information regarding the susceptibility of various fabrics to moth attack.

Arrangements for the interchange of crop reports on cotton and wheat in the United States and Egypt, is announced by the United States Department of Agriculture. As rapidly as crop reports on acreage and forecasts are available in each country the news will be dispatched at once by cable or radio to the other country. Immediately on receipt of the Egyptian news, the reports will be broadcast throughout the United States by telegraph and radio. The new plan is expected to cut to a minimum the time formerly consumed in placing important crop news in the hands of American farmers.

### NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

S. S. Colvin and wife of New Madrid County to C. E. Spitzer of Dunklin County an undivided 1/2 int. in and to the following 14 acres of land lying just west of the city limits of New Madrid known as the Hutton place. Also 5.84 acres in the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 sec. 34 twp. 23 range 14. For a particular description see 79, page 97. \$1 and other consideration.

Harry L. Hurty and wife of Stoddard County to J. W. French et al 207 acres in section 24, twp. 21, range 10. \$20,182.50.

W. N. O'Bannon and wife to Cage and Susie Byrd all of New Madrid. Lot 9, blk. 1 in John E. Poell's 4th addition to the city of New Madrid. \$200.

Mrs. Laura J. Winston and Husband of Lilbourn to Edard Dietrich New Madrid County: Lots 29 and 32 range FE in the city of Lilbourn. \$883.84.

Samuel Yates to Trustees of the Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church city of New Madrid. Lot 4 block H Latham's addition to the city of New Madrid. \$150.

Mrs. Isabell T. Brown of Detroit, Michigan to B. F. Hawkins of New Madrid County: Lots 18 and 19 in the city of Lilbourn and all of lots 17 and 20 in the city of Lilbourn. All of the above described lots being in range F in the city of Lilbourn. \$1060.

D. A. Monbee and wife of the county of New Madrid to Mrs. Clara Cozcan of New Madrid County. All of lot 1 and the adjoining 1/2 of lot 2 in block 47 of the city of Morehouse. \$650.

Wm. B. Passmore and wife of Recker, Ark. to A. M. Alley of New Madrid county. A parcel of ground adjoining on the north line of block 4 of H. L. Shidler's 1st add to the town of Lotta now the city of Panama. \$500.

#### Marriage License

Arthur Randolph of Pt. Pleasant to Alma O. O'Connell of Portageville.

Elmer G. Stephen of Como to Nellie Marie Sanders of Como.

W. A. Peppers and Nola Kirk both of Pt. Pleasant.

John Montgomery and Pauline Tamm, both of Portageville.

Roy S. Bush of Morehouse and Charlotte N. Miller of Chaffee.

Dr. Eldon L. Loper of St. Louis to Ruth Jones of Parma.

Fully 10,000 acres in Hawaii were planted in 1922 to pigeon peas, a forage and green-manure crop introduced some years ago by the Federal experiment station at Honolulu, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Sixteen years ago the first negro agricultural demonstration was employed to carry on extension work among negro farmers. According to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture there are now 285 negro men and women agents, under whose direction more than 14,000 negro farmers and their families are following approved practices in farming and home making.

## Ah, How Juicy, Tender!

THAT'S the expression that usually accompanies the first forkful of meat purchased from our shop. Not only is it palatable, but contains all of the nourishment that nature put into it. Our meats are purchased daily, giving you an assurance of its high quality. The economical housewife makes ours her Meat headquarters.

## Sellards Meat Market

PHONE 48

## BASKETBALL!

Teachers College H. S. vs. Sikeston H. S. Boys  
Friday Evening, January 5th, 1923

Next Week: Thurs. 11th—Cairo Boys—Chaffee Girls

### Scott County Abstract Co. BENTON - MISSOURI

Compiles Abstracts of Title to Lands  
and Town Lots in This County

W. H. STUBBLEFIELD, President  
H. D. RODGERS, Vice President  
HAROLD STUBBLEFIELD, Secretary-Treasurer  
Farm loans, long time, low interest rate. Correspondence invited.